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TWO events have occurred within the last 48 hours to bring the Formosa problem into sharp focus. Sir John Kotelawala, Ceylon's Prime Minister, has suggested Formosa should be put under a five-year trusteeship of the Colombo powers, followed by a plebiscite confined to the Formosans for them to decide what type of permanent government they desire; and Washington has announced an impending visit to Taipei of Admiral Radford and Assistant Secretary of State Walter Robertson for talks with Nationalist leaders.

The Radford-Robertson mission is cloaked with secrecy, and therefore some mystery, but it appears to be generally accepted that these top American representatives from Washington are going to concern themselves with the question of Nationalist evacuation of the offshore islands.

If this is the purpose of the visit, manifestly it is prompted by the perceptible change in American public opinion regarding the defence of Matsu and Quemoy. And this public opinion in turn has been adroitly guided by President Eisenhower who, through the mouth of his Secretary of State, has introduced a noticeably changed emphasis when discussing the Formosa problem in general and the immediate future of the offshore islands in particular.

THE defence of Quemoy and Matsu is not only a question of politics and morale. The military implications are equally, possibly more important. Two disastrous possibilities are apparent: if the United States decided to engage her own forces alongside the Nationalists to resist a Chinese Communist assault on the offshore islands, this could lead to a full international conflict; if the Nationalists were left to defend the islands on their own, they might well find the task beyond them, and to a forced evacuation would be added the ignominy of military defeat.

These are contingencies which Admiral Radford and Mr. Robertson can hardly fail to put before the Chinese Nationalists next week and they may well be the dominant factors in influencing a decision to call off the occupation of Matsu and Quemoy.

Withdrawal from the offshore islands does not involve prejudicing the future of Formosa. On the contrary it would help to simplify the whole problem of the Formosa Straits. In the final analysis it is the future of Formosa which is all-important, and if a solution to this complex problem is rendered any easier by Nationalist evacuation of Matsu and Quemoy, then it is in general interests that this should be done.

A New Purge In Russia?

Is there to be another big purge in Russia soon? John Atkinson, writing from London, in tomorrow's China Mail, says the Kremlin is building up a case against Stalin's protégé, Georgi Malenkov recently removed from the Soviet Premiership.

This is just one of the highlights in tomorrow's big feature-packed week-end edition of the China Mail.

Here are some others:

- ★ William Smyth concludes his series 'Back-room boys of the Hong Kong Civil Service' with an article on the work of the Police Liaison Officer.
- ★ In our new series 'Did It Happen?' the famous British author, Eric (The Wooden Horse) Williams writes about "The Oldest Truth in the World".
- ★ Wilson Ferber tells how negroes in New York's Harlem run "house-restaurant parties" — a very novel kind of party indeed.
- ★ Is the moustache on the rise or wane? J. W. Taylor writes on this very manly fashion trend.
- ★ Hop a pigeon saved the lives of four British airmen — another story from the annals of the Goldfish Club.
- ★ In addition, there are all your regular favourite features including cartoons by Low and Cummings, three pages of local and overseas pictures, Jane Roberts' reviews of the current films in Hong Kong, Beachcomber, the latest women's news, local and overseas sports reviews and selections for tomorrow's races at Happy Valley... all in the China Mail.

RADFORD VISIT SPECULATION

Pressure On Chiang?  
COAST ISLANDS WITHDRAWAL

Washington, Apr. 21.

The sudden departure for Formosa of Admiral Arthur Radford and Mr. Walter Robertson has set off an intensive round of speculation here over possible American pressure on General Chiang Kai-shek to permit the Communists to take over Quemoy and Matsu.

Defence and State Department officials are refusing to make any precise statements about this mission of the President's chief military adviser and chief specialist on Asian affairs. Admiral Radford is the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and Mr. Robertson, Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs.

Under the Sino-American treaty referred to in the official announcement of the mission the United States is committed to defend Formosa and the Pescadores from Communist attack but has no commitment to defend Quemoy and Matsu as such.

The chief reasoning behind this speculation derives from the fact that Admiral Radford and Mr. Robertson are known to be very good friends of General Chiang Kai-shek.

The theory is that they would therefore be the best people to break the news to him that the United States is unwilling to aid in the defence of Quemoy and Matsu and does not wish Nationalist China to precipitate a general Asian conflict by insisting on fighting for them.

Only two days ago the Chinese Nationalist Ambassador here, Dr. Wellington Koo, declared that the Nationalist Chinese would fight for these islands whether they were aided by the United States or not.

The Eisenhower administration has recently been subjected to strong pressure from varying sections of public opinion not to risk bringing the United States into a war with Communist China and possibly into World War III on behalf of a group of islands which are not even regarded by United States military chiefs as essential for the defence of Formosa.

NOT INVOLVED

In response to this administration spokesmen have been emphasising again and again that the United States is not involved in any commitments to defend Quemoy and Matsu as such.

There is increasing sympathy here for the position of the British government which is that there should be a renunciation of the use of force by both the Chinese Nationalists and Communists and that the Nationalists should accordingly withdraw their armed forces from the coastal islands.

The current Sino-American conference at Bandung provides the Chinese Communist Premier, Chou En-lai, with a favourable opportunity of announcing such a renunciation of force there.

Four-Power Meeting In Sight

BIG THREE WORKING OUT DETAILS

Washington, Apr. 21.

Britain, France and the United States are ready to agree on preliminary steps for a four-power meeting with the Soviet Union and will probably set up working groups next week, informed Washington officials, reported today.

They said the British and French foreign ministers, Mr. Harold Macmillan, and M. Antoine Pinay — who were meeting in London today — were already acquainted with the United States views on the timing of the working meetings.

The two foreign ministers were expected to reach a quick decision on arrangements and put them before the United States for approval. No difficulty was anticipated in reaching three-power agreement, these officials said.

France had earlier suggested that the four-power conference of foreign ministers which would precede any talks "at the summit" with the Soviet Union on ending world tensions should be held by next July. But officials here said it would be virtually impossible for the three powers to work out all the necessary arrangements including details of an agenda in time for a July session.

It was known that the French government had recently approached the United States to agree to an early meeting of the working groups. State Department sources rejected suggestions that the department was in any way "dragging its feet" on policy grounds in taking the preliminary steps for a foreign minister session.

OTHER QUESTIONS The questions that last decisions could not be reached because a great many other problems had to be discussed between the Western powers, such as arrangements for meetings with the Soviet Union on the Atlantic treaty council meeting of foreign ministers next month and the final steps for West Germany's admission into the North Atlantic Alliance.

It was conceded that France and the United States had some differences of opinion on timing but it was said these were merely procedural questions and there were no serious disagreements.

The British and French ministers in their London meeting were expected to cover such subjects as an agreed reply to a Soviet invitation for a foreign ministers' meeting on the Austro-Hungarian peace treaty, next month's NATO Council session in Paris, the conditions under which Western defence and the critical situation in Indo-China.

London press reports published here today quoted "diplomatic sources" as saying that Mr. Macmillan and M. Pinay had agreed to the terms of a prompt acceptance of the Soviet proposal to conclude an Austrian treaty and would suggest an early meeting of the Big Four ambassadors and an Austrian representative to discuss the final treaty form.

This meeting would precede the foreign ministers' conference on Austria proposed by the Soviet Union, Reuters.

It Would Need Only 6 Bombs

Ottawa, Apr. 21.

Six enemy hydrogen bombs could render Britain helpless, the British civil defence chief, Sir Sidney Kirkman, said today.

"Britain was vulnerable to atomic attack, but this did not rule out the chance of some Britons surviving," he said in a press conference.

Sir Sidney Kirkman, who observed recent Nevada atomic tests, recommended six feet deep salt trenches topped with galvanized iron and earth as protection against nuclear blast heat and radioactive fallout. Reuters.

Hydrogen Explosive Factory

London, Apr. 21.

A big factory for mass-producing a new type of hydrogen bomb explosive devised by Sir William Penney is to be built by the Atomic Energy Authority as quickly as possible.

Scientists and engineers are being recruited to design the plant. The explosive is a powder which has never been made on a large scale before.

A pilot plant for making small quantities of the explosive is to be built first at the atomic weapons research station at Aldermaston, Berkshire.

The full-scale factory may be sited in a more remote area for security reasons.

Another team of scientists is being recruited to devise means of moulding the powder into specially shaped pieces which are fitted into a bomb casing. — London Express Service.

Queen Sends Message To Singapore Assembly

London, Apr. 22.

On the occasion of the first meeting of the new Singapore Legislative Assembly today messages have been sent from Her Majesty the Queen and the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Alan Lennox-Boyd, to the Governor of Singapore, Sir John Nicoll, KCMG.

Her Majesty's message is as follows: "I am glad at the opening of the first session of the Legislative Assembly under the new constitution of Singapore to express to my people in Singapore my great satisfaction at the significant progress which is marked by this occasion. The Assembly and Ministers will now have to deal with the many problems of government and upon them will fall the chief burden of responsibility for the continued advancement and prosperity of Singapore and for the welfare and safety of its citizens."

"I look forward with every confidence to the faithful discharge of this trust. I am sure that those on whom this responsibility falls will carry it out with foresight, courage and honesty of purpose. It is my earnest hope that the work of the Legislative Assembly under the new constitution will be blessed with every success."

MESSAGE FROM CS

The message from the Secretary of State for the Colonies is as follows: "It gives me great pleasure to send a message of greetings and goodwill to the Legislative Assembly of Singapore on the historic occasion of its first meeting under the new constitution. My only regret is that neither I nor any of my ministerial colleagues can be present in person to deliver it."

"I must first of all congratulate all those who have taken part in the working out of this new constitution—the committee under the chairmanship of Sir George Rendell, who now see the fulfilment of their labours, and His Excellency the Governor, and his officers who have devoted much time to framing and bringing the constitution into operation."

SINCERE WISHES

"Secondly, I want to express the satisfaction of Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom at the successful completion of an important task which is signified by the opening of the new Assembly."

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S'hai Protest Meeting

London, Apr. 21.

The Communist News Agency said today officials on the staff of the British Charge d'Affaires in Shanghai were present at a mass meeting in Shanghai yesterday for the victims of the April 11 air crash of Sarawak.

The meeting was also attended by representatives from the consulates of Poland, the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, India, Switzerland and Denmark.

Mr. Wang Yu-hsien, President of the Shanghai Branch of the Red Cross Society of China, told the meeting the 11 Communist agents who were murdered by United States Chiang Kai-shek agents. He demanded that the British Government thoroughly investigate the "conspiracy" and arrest and punish the murderers, the agency reported.

Similar meetings were held in all Communist China's major cities.

Hongkong was the last port of call of the Air India Constellation which was carrying Communist officials and journalists to the Afro-Asian conference. Britain has denied responsibility. — Reuters.

Queen Mother To Make Copter Flight

London, Apr. 22.

The Queen Mother will tomorrow make her first trip by helicopter. She is 54. A helicopter of the Royal Navy will "hop" her from Windsor, where she has remained with members of her family since Easter, to the Royal Air Force station at Egham Hill, 30 miles to the south-west.

The Queen Mother will visit an auxiliary Air Force squadron of which she is Honorary Commodore and will return to Windsor by helicopter. — China Mail Special.

12 Known Dead In New Earth Tremor

Volos, Greece, Apr. 21. A fresh earth tremor today killed at least 12 people and all but complete destruction of this Greek port where 3,500 people were already homeless from Tuesday's severe earthquake.

Panic-stricken crowds fled to the hills while others rushed to the quayside. Ships in the harbour reported women and children crying and begging to be allowed to leave the "curved land."

A police official said today's tremor was stronger than that on Tuesday. — Reuters.

Admiral Brownfield Promoted

Ex-Commodore Of Hongkong

London, Apr. 22.

Three new top-ranking appointments were announced by the Admiralty here today—72 hours after Admiral Earl Mountbatten took over as First Sea Lord.

Admiral Sir George Creasy, 58, at present Commander-in-Chief, Portsmouth, is to be an Admiral of the Fleet.

Vice-Admiral Sir Ralph Edwards, 54, at present Third Sea Lord, becomes an Admiral. Rear-Admiral Leslie Brownfield, 53, is made a vice-Admiral. — Reuters.

D-DAY ANNEX

Admiral Creasy, probably more than any other man, was responsible for the detailed operational planning leading up to D-Day.

He took command of the Home Fleet in 1949 and in September 1953 became Commander-in-Chief, Portsmouth.

Vice-Admiral Edwards became Third Sea Lord in March 1953. He has seen service in the Far East and was for a time on loan to the Royal New Zealand Navy. Rear-Admiral Brownfield has served as Commodore, Hong Kong, and commanded the aircraft carrier Implacable and acted as President of the Admiralty Review Board at Dartmouth Naval College. — Reuters.

REBELLION IN ASSAM

Calcutta, Apr. 21. Indian troops were rushed to the hilly jungles of Northeast Assam today to quell a rebellion of head-hunting Naga tribesmen. Reports reaching Indian administration headquarters at Shillong said the tribesmen had ambushed in isolated pockets members of Indian troops, a paramilitary police force patrolling the Twensong area.

A large part of the area inside the Northeast Assam border is still defying Indian administration and fanning revolt for a separate Naga State independent of India. Last year a large number of Indian troops were massacred when they ventured into the area on a goodwill mission, distributing salt and blankets. — United Press.

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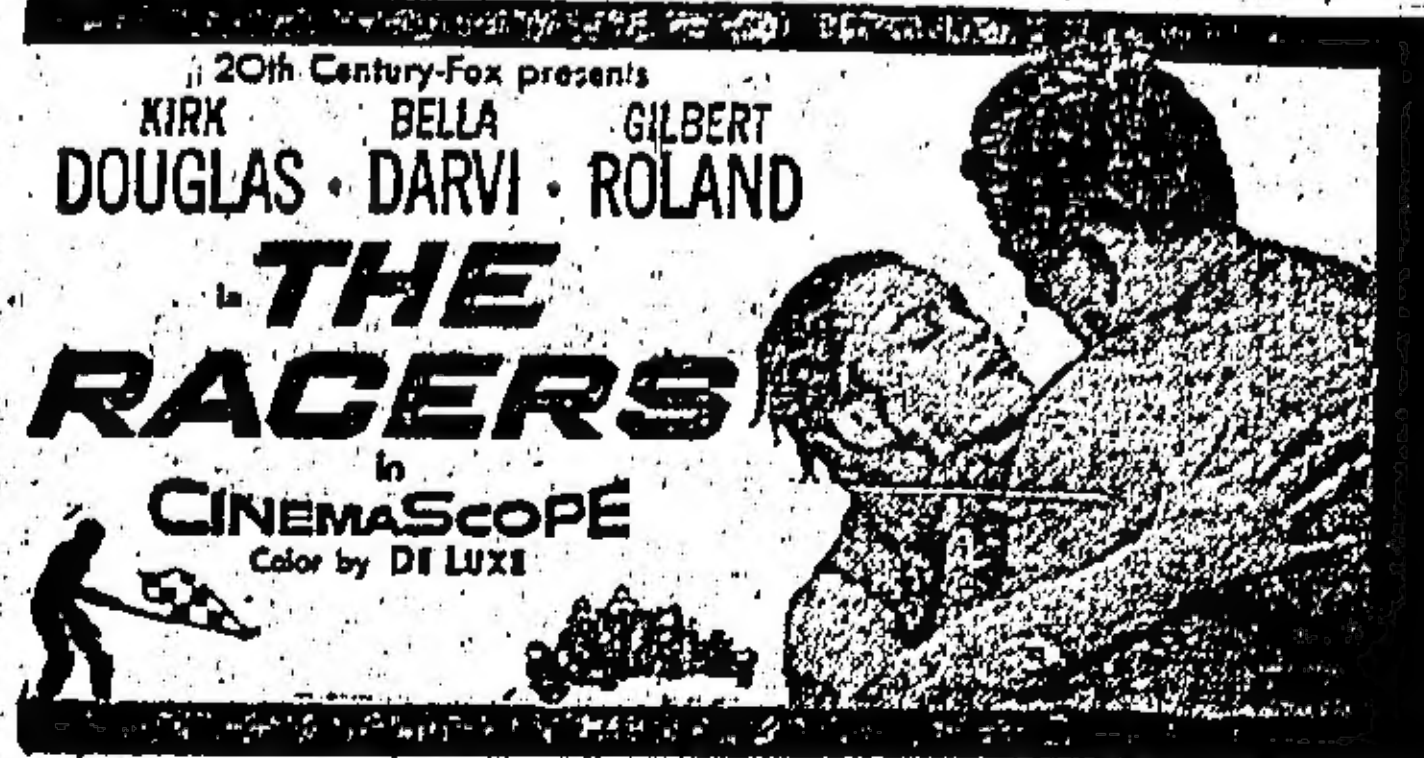
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## Egyptians Want Another Afro-Asian Meeting

MUST STICK TOGETHER SAYS DELEGATE

Bandung, Apr. 21.

Egypt intends to press for another meeting of the Asian-African Powers and at very least a permanent Secretariat, reliable Egyptian sources said today.

These sources said that the Egyptian Prime Minister, Lieut-Col Gamal Abdel Nasser, was convinced that the Asian-African nations must stick together if they are to implement the result of this first meeting.

The Egyptian proposal will be put before the conference's Political Committee at the end of its meetings, these sources said.

Just what form it will take has not been decided.

WHERE DO WE GO?

"What we want to ask the conference is where do we go from here?" the Egyptian official said.

"We think that all these nations must stick together. Otherwise we might lose what we all have been fighting for."

"We already are thinking in terms of the second meeting of the Asian and African Powers. It is time to think of that."

The Egyptian official conceded that some Asian and African nations were against another meeting. But he said that this made no difference to Egypt.

"Some nations are trying to wreck this conference," he charged, "from without and from within."

He would not explain his remark.

"At the very least, we must set up some sort of permanent organization," the Egyptian said. "This is necessary in order that we can keep in touch with one another."

The resolution will condemn the use of armed force to settle world problems.

Japan also is expected to introduce a resolution calling for nations to improve economic and cultural co-operation by "principles of justice, freedom and security," informed sources said.—United Press.

## KILLED MAN TO BE HANGED

London, Apr. 21.

Frederick Arthur Cross killed a man for the pleasure of being hanged.

He lived in Staffordshire. His wife had left him and after this, finding life unbearable, he decided to commit suicide.

However, he hesitated between numerous means put at man's disposal to end life by modern or ancient methods. Should he throw himself under a train or jump into a river, or take poison, or hang himself?

He first thought of taking poison—but having—bought rat

## HOOVER CHANGES MIND

Washington, Apr. 21.

Mr. Herbert Hoover, the former US President, said here today that he had changed his mind on the possible advantages of expelling the Soviet Union from the United Nations.

"I think we've got to go on and worry with the Russians in the UN in the hope that things will get better," he stated.

Mr. Hoover, who was addressing the Senate Foreign Relations

Committee, also affirmed that the US could not abandon the UN although it "has fulfilled our hopes."

The Committee was studying the question of revising the United Nations Charter.

On this question, Mr. Hoover said it would be useless to modify the Charter before there had been "a great change in the whole Communist attitude."

—France-Press.



Herbert Clark Hoover

## W. German Customs Boat Seized

Berlin, Apr. 21.

The East German police today seized and took to East Germany a West Berlin Customs motor boat, according to radio reports from the crew of the boat.

The boat was seized on the Havel River. The four-man crew remained in radio contact with West Berlin as far as Potsdam (East Zone) where the boat's radio aerial was broken in passing under a bridge.

The crew reported the boat was seized in West Berlin waters.—France-Press.



## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Look, Sis! Here's one of Dad's old report cards with an 'F' in algebra—this is valuable stuff for us!"

## ACTRESS IN HOTEL FIGHT

New York, Apr. 21.

Jean Carson, blonde actress who is playing a role in the filming of "The Phenix City Story," suffered a cut knee in a Columbus, Georgia, hotel room fight early today, and police sought a man who said he was her husband under questioning.

Miss Carson, 29, is on leave from the Broadway play, "Anniversary Waltz," and has also made television appearances.

She plays a gambler's girl friend in the motion picture about nearby Phenix City, Alabama, "one time wide open city of vice and crime." Police said she suffered a "lugged" cut on the knee in the reported dispute. Gail was Les Smith, 29, of New York, who said he was Miss Carson's husband.—United Press.

## Warships Again For Wilhelmshaven

Wilhelmshaven, Apr. 21.

The West German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, today assured the inhabitants of this former German naval base that they would soon see warships in its harbours again.

He announced on a visit here that under German rearmament plans 5,000 sailors would be based at Wilhelmshaven and three naval flotillas would be stationed here.—Reuter.

## AFGHANS DEMAND PLEBISCITE

Lahore, Apr. 21.

THE Afghan Ambassador, Sardar Mohammed Atiq Khan, said today that Afghanistan may seek a United Nations decision unless Pakistan agrees to a plebiscite on the status of the Northwest Frontier.

Atiq Khan, en route from Kabul, the Afghan capital, to Peshawar in the Northwest Frontier Province, told Lahore airport reporters that "mischievous persons" were striving to create bad blood between Pakistan and Afghanistan.

He discounted charges of a break in diplomatic relations between the two countries and said that the Afghan Government was taking steps to check the trouble makers.

Atiq Khan said that his Government was trying to convince Pakistan that a plebiscite should be held in the tribal

areas which Pakistan plans to merge into the new Federation of West Pakistan, but he said no satisfactory response had been made by Pakistan.

Atiq Khan said as a last resort Afghanistan was likely to take the issue to the United Nations for a decision.

He said that the Afghan Government admitted the Kabul attacks but that no similar admission had been made by Pakistan about the attacks on the Afghan Mission in Peshawar.

Afghanistan had given full assurance to Pakistan that there would be no repetition of the anti-Pakistan attacks, Atiq Khan said. He denied reports of a food shortage in Afghanistan and said that his Government had not appealed to the United States for wheat.—United Press.

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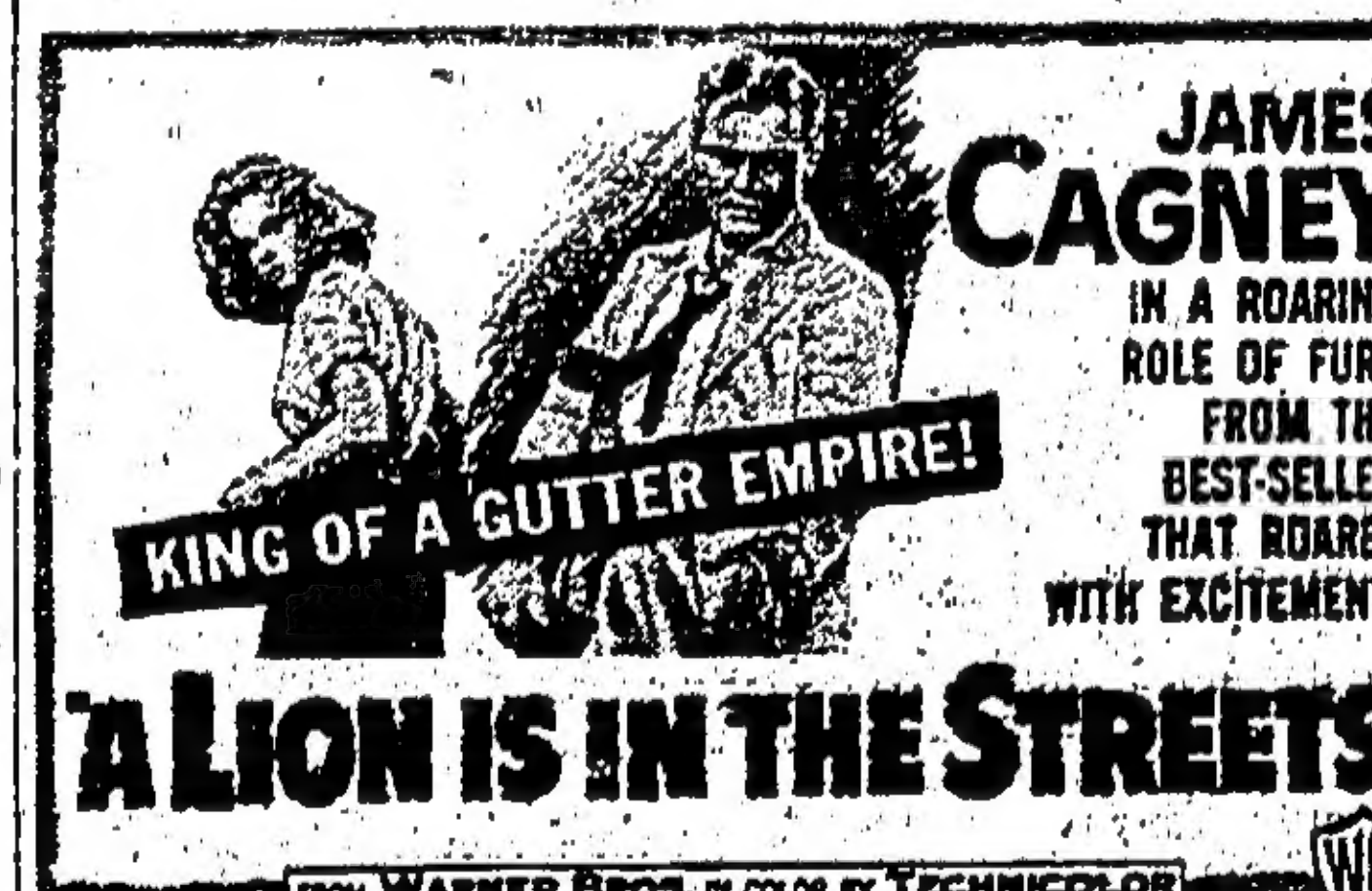
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# OPPOSITION TO IKE'S FOREIGN

General Collins  
To Testify



Washington, Apr. 21. A State Department spokesman said today that the prime purpose of General Collins' return to the United States was to testify before the Senate Appropriations Committee.

General Collins, President Eisenhower's personal emissary to Indo-China, is due in Washington late today or early tomorrow.

Asked whether General Collins would go back to Saigon, the spokesman said: "As far as I know, he is going back."—Reuter.

Batons Used  
Against  
Demonstrators

Johannesburg, Apr. 21. Batons were used today against a crowd of Africans demonstrating against the new Bantu Education Act.

Earlier, the demonstrators set fire to the Dutch Reformed Church Mission School, in the East Rand. Several demonstrators were arrested.

Some 10,000 African students have been boycotting Bantu schools for the past nine days in protest against the Bantu Education Act.

The Department of Native Affairs in Pretoria said today that a small militant organisation in Johannesburg was responsible for the boycott.

Meanwhile, in Sophiatown, near here, a 16-year-old boy was stabbed by a group of African youths "because he attended school," the police said.

Monday was the "last day of grace" given to native children to attend school under the Bantu Education Act. All those who do not attend on Monday will be banned as truants under orders from the Native Affairs Minister, Dr. H. F. Verwoerd.

—United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS  
3 Putting out of countenance (8).  
8 Pigment (8).  
9 Stubbish (8).  
11 Numeral (8).  
12 Saucy (4).  
13 Sources of water (5).  
14 Jealousy (4).  
20 Give up hope (8).  
24 Confederacy (8).  
25 Supplementary building (8).  
26 Game bird (8).

DOWN  
1 Flower (5).  
2 Margin (5).  
3 Someone else (7).  
4 Infant (4).  
5 Avoid (4).  
6 Likenesses (6).  
7 Victims (6).  
10 Distributed (5).  
14 Burdened (5).  
15 Snake (7).  
16 Run off (8).  
17 Slim (6).  
20 Blends (5).  
21 Show in (5).  
22 Platform (4).  
23 Scrutinise (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 3 Amicable, 7 Sewer, 8 Escorted, 10 Recant, 13 Prepare, 15 Bede, 17 Encores, 18 Soloist, 20 Erin, 21 Similes, 28 Resist, 29 Register, 30 Inter, 29 Turnspit, Down: 1 Usurp, 2 Twice, 3 Arena, 4 Crop, 5 Bitter, 6 Eddies, 9 Stress, 11 Error, 12 Apron, 14 Enlure, 15 Boris, 16 Dens, 18 Secret, 19 Linger, 22 Merit, 23 Lists, 24 Story, 25 Ask.

## AID PLAN

No More Large  
Programmes  
For Asia  
SEN. BYRD'S OPINION

Washington, Apr. 21.

The United States Government's foreign aid programme of \$3,530,000,000 proposed by President Eisenhower in his message to Congress yesterday, appears to be running into difficulties.

Democratic Senator Harry Byrd of Georgia, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and his Republican colleague, Mr. Charles Potter of Michigan are both opposed to further direct American economic assistance to the allies of the United States.

RUSSIA WILL  
RETURN 62  
US SHIPS

Washington, Apr. 21. Russia today agreed to return 62 vessels lent by the United States under the World War II Lend-Lease programme.

The agreement—called an agreement in principle—was worked out during a meeting between the Soviet Ambassador, Mr. Georgi Zarubin, and State Department officials. Papers with details of the agreement remain to be signed.

State Department officials said the vessels are expected to be returned to the United States between June and August of this year. The transfer is scheduled to take place at Kiel, Germany.

The vessels concerned are primarily PT boats and subchasers.—United Press.

PRICES SLASHED!  
CHEAP ISOTOPES

Washington, Apr. 21. The Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) today slashed its prices on radioactive isotopes.

From July 1, the Commission said, isotopes used in all biomedical and agricultural research and research in medical therapy would be available to domestic users at 20 per cent of the catalogue price.—Reuter.

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Easter Christening In A Cathedral Garden



At five weeks, Garry John Jones was not taking much interest in his christening, but in the years to come he will be proud of this picture because it's unique. He was christened on Easter Sunday in the font among the flowers of the first Easter Garden ever planted in St Paul's Cathedral. Performing the ceremony was Mr. R. Simpson, Sacristan of St Paul's. Garry John is the son of Mr. John Henry Jones of Ilford, Essex, who has worked for many years in the Cathedral.—Reuterphoto.

GLOOMY AND  
GLUM

London, Apr. 21. Showmen, bookmakers, football pool chiefs and news agents today glumly toted up the losses they suffered in Britain's newspaper strike.

The chaotic repercussions caused by the stoppage enveloped millions of small businessmen. They will smart under its lash for some time to come.

Here are some of the effects it had: Football pools: Pools receipts are believed to have dropped by 50 per cent.

Theatres: Ticket agencies were not eager to buy up their normal blocks of tickets for new shows without Press reviews.

Stores: There was little demand for spring fashions which would normally figure almost daily in newspaper advertisements.

News Agents: Some lost up to £50 weekly—a hard blow to a small shopkeeper. The big demand for magazines did not offset the losses on newspapers.

Bookmakers: Some firms said they were doing only five per cent of their normal turnover as clients could get no information about possible runners.

There were some smiles from bookshops. They could not find enough novels to keep customers satisfied in the first days of the strike.—China Mail Special.

Gen. Ridgway  
— Kaiser  
Executive?

Oakland, Apr. 21. Headquarters here of the Kaiser interests said today that there had been discussions with General Matthew Ridgway, US Army Chief of Staff, about the possibility of his becoming President of Industries Kaiser-Argentina after retirement. No definite agreement had been made. Discussions were being continued.

General Ridgway will retire next August. He is in Argentina now as a guest of Mr. Edgar Kaiser, Vice-President of the Kaiser subsidiary.—Reuter.

Israel Accepts  
Four Proposals  
On Gaza

Jerusalem, Apr. 21. Israel has accepted three of four proposals aimed at reducing tension on the Gaza strip border made by Major-General Edson Burns, United Nations Palestine Chief of Staff and supported by the Security Council, authoritative sources said today.

The proposals Israel has accepted are: Negotiations for agreements between local Israeli and Egyptian commanders along the lines of those reached between Israel and Jordan for the Jerusalem area.

Construction of a double apron barbed wire fence along certain parts of the demarcation line; and the manning of all outposts and patrols by regular troops.

The same authoritative sources said Israel had rejected the proposal to have joint patrols by Israeli, Egyptian and United Nations personnel in sensitive sections of the line. They said the Israeli Foreign Ministry had handed a reply to General Burns yesterday.—Reuter.

Buenos Aires, Apr. 21. DANCING, gambling and drinking will be banned and only "well behaved" prostitutes allowed in a closed red light city to be set up within Buenos Aires, it was announced today.

Official regulations issued by the municipal authorities said control will be exercised through good conduct certificates awarded by police to eligible prostitutes after careful screening.

The official announcement follows a Christened decree legalising prostitution in Argentina after a 20-year ban.

Buenos Aires will put up buildings at municipal expense and rent them as brothels by public tender. Each will have a dining hall and servants' quarters as well as a medical inspection centre.

Girls selling their favours must be at least 22 years old and permitted to retire at their own request. They will be expelled in cases of ill health or breaches of the regulations.—Reuter.

Prostitutes leaving the profession will be entitled to have all records showing they had lived in the city destroyed. They will not be allowed to cater for youths under 18.

Morning & Sunday  
Papers May  
Increase Prices

London, Apr. 21.

Londoners had newspapers to read again today — and rush hour buses and trains regained the asbered atmosphere which marked them till the strike banished newspapers from the capital almost four weeks ago.

Today morning and evening newspapers rolled normally off the presses, but the three London evening journals brought bitter-sweet news to their readers. From tomorrow they said they must raise prices from 1/4d to 2d. They blamed "recent events" and noted that outside the capital Briton's already pay 2d for evening newspapers.

The decision heightened expectation that the morning and Sunday newspapers' too may soon need to put prices up.

COST OVER 24M

The strike of 700 main-tenance men which halted them since March 23 has cost a grand total of "over four million pounds sterling," newspapers said.

Most of today's newspapers made no serious effort to cover the major news that has gone unread in the past weeks. But the Times—as much as an institution as a newspaper—produced an ambitious supplement in which it devoted half of one of its large pages to the news of each day it has missed publication.

The Conservative Daily Telegraph too produced a summary of the lost news in the form of a supplement.

But the popular 14d journals glanced straight ahead, glancing backwards only to pick up main points of Britain's Budget which apart from immediate personal interest will echo on to the general election campaign.

Most newspapers pegged the surviving core of big stories ingeniously on to topical developments, a technique which they hope in a few days will bring readers reasonably abreast of the unread news.

London's main streets quickly began to accumulate the litter which had almost vanished in recent weeks. The news vendors back at their corner stands had chalked up notices such as "here we are again" and "Londoners seemed everywhere pleased to see them."

Only one of the London evening newspapers made much of the strike. It was the London Evening News which in addition to publishing an editorial scolding the "inflexible and stubborn" attitude of the strike leaders carried a red masthead with the legend "News Again" and frontpaged twin pictures of a Fleet Street name plate and traffic lights signalled "Go".

BEAMING VENDOR

It gave pride of place to a photograph of a beaming news vendor selling the paper and in its news story quoted a bookstall manager as saying: "People are happier than they have been for a month."

The maintenance men returned to work last night after accepting the employers' offer of 12 shillings weekly pay rises on condition that new wage talks begin within eight weeks.—Reuter.

CEYLON REDUCES  
TEA DUTY

Colombo, Apr. 21. Export duty on tea will be reduced by 30 cents per pound with effect from midnight tonight, as a result of a decision made by the Ceylon Cabinet today.

The new import duty will be one rupee (about 4 cents) per pound.—France-Press.

## KOREA PLANE INCIDENT

Truce Supervisors'  
Split Decision

Munsan, Apr. 21.

The Neutral Nations Truce Supervisors today handed down a split decision on who was to blame when United States Sabre-jets shot down two Communist planes which attacked an American bomber off the North Korean coast in February.

The Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission, composed of Communist Poland and Czechoslovakia, Sweden and Switzerland, informed the United Nations Military Armistice Commission that it "had been unable to arrive at a joint evaluation of the Yellow Sea incident."

The Communist members of the Commission insisted that the United States made an "illegal attack" against the Red planes on February 5 and "violated" North Korean territory.

CONTRADICTION

The Swedish and Swiss members charged that the Communist claims were "in contradiction of the truth."

They said that the Communist charges were "not proved."

The jet dog-fight broke out 10 miles off the North Korean coast near Pyongyang on February 5 when a flight of Communist MIGs attacked a RO-45 patrol bomber. The escorting United States jets pounced on the attacking planes and sent two down in flames.

Major-General Leslie D. Carter, senior United Nations Command Military Armistice Commission member, said that the truce supervisors vote "reveals the true picture of the NNSC's ineffectiveness."

He added, "The fact that the NNSC, a supposedly neutral commission, was unable to come to a decision was due entirely to the obstructive tactics of the Czechoslovak and Polish representatives."

The United Nations Command said that during investigations it had given the neutral nations detailed information and documents, including the navigators' logs, flight charts and radar photographs.

In attempting to prove their charge of air violation, the Communists produced gas tanks which were ejected from the United States jet and fell on North Korea.

The United Nations said that these tanks, if dropped at sea,

could have been carried to land.

Although never admitted by the United States, officials studying the incident said that it was quite possible that the fight took place over North Korea.

MATTER OF SECONDS

They said that when the American plane was attacked over international waters, the United States jets swinging in to defend it and travelling at high speeds could very well have, within a matter of seconds, shot over North Korea.

They pointed out that this was not a violation when the Communist jets attacked first and the American planes in defence followed in "hot pursuit."—United Press.

SOLO AFTER  
5 MINUTES

Frankfurt, Apr. 21. Two young anti-Communists who escaped to freedom in a "borrowed" sports plane through Czechoslovakia's "MIG Alley" confessed today that they never really learned to fly.

But they said they would like to join the American Air Force and learn.

"Flying came to me naturally," Rudi Knoers, 29, told a Press conference.

His total time in the air before the start of his dramatic flight totalled five minutes as a passenger.

Knoers and Zdenek Machinler landed their rickety old sports plane in a ploughed field in Bavaria last Thursday after a flight from a field near Prague.—United Press.

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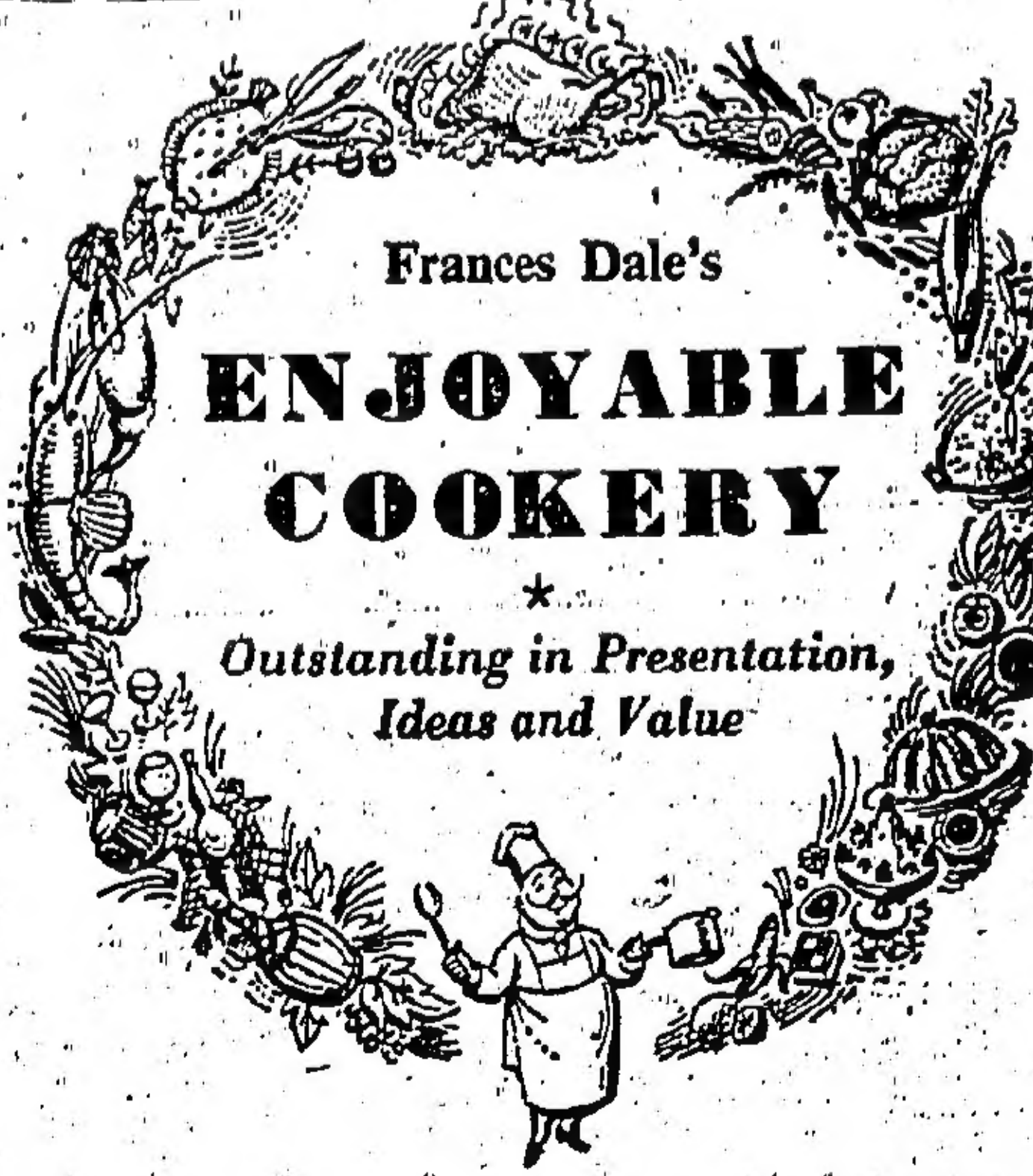
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## DID IT HAPPEN?

WHEN catching  
trains I usually  
behave like any-  
one else—I reject  
all compartments containing  
children or dogs, find the  
emptiest, and scatter my  
belongings over as many  
seats as possible to pretend  
that the occupants have all  
suddenly run off to buy  
newspapers.

Only once have I de-  
liberately sought a com-  
partment with a child in it.  
I was a keen young doctor,  
newly qualified, travelling  
north on a free first-class  
ticket to be interviewed for  
a job at a children's hos-  
pital.

I was walking along the plat-  
form at King's Cross with  
"Disease in Infancy and Child-  
hood" under one arm and a  
large packet of sandwiches in  
my hand—for lunch was not  
included in my travelling ex-  
penses—when I saw a clean-  
looking boy of about three  
standing beside an open carriage  
door.

Noticing that a pretty young  
blonde was the only occupant of  
the carriage, I bent down and  
asked, beaming like Scrooge on  
Christmas morning: "What's  
your name, little boy?"

He looked me in the eye.  
"Rodney," he said. He seemed  
a self-possessed creature.

"Rodney, eh? What a nice  
name! Well, we'd better be  
getting inside, Rodney, hadn't  
we? The train's going any  
minute, and you don't want to  
be left behind by your mummy,  
do you?"

He shook his head.  
"Ooops—daisy!" I said.  
Throwing my textbook and  
sandwiches on the seat, I helped  
the child into the coach. "I'm  
sure little Rodney will be a  
charming travelling companion  
for both of us," I said.

### She smiled

She looked up from her  
magazine and smiled. "I must  
say, it's certainly a treat to hear  
you say that."

"Not at all, May I introduce  
myself? My name is Gordon.  
I'm a doctor, and I happen to  
specialise in paediatrics—  
children, you know."

## Rodney's the name



"How interest-  
ing," she said, with  
an admiring glance.

This was not  
strictly true, as I  
had no practical  
experience of hand-  
ling children what-  
ever, and thought  
the journey a good  
opportunity to start.

"Then you'll be  
able to keep Rodney  
amused all the way  
to Newcastle, won't  
you, doctor?"

"Of course. That's  
my job—and my  
pleasure."

"What a nice  
thought," she said,  
smiling again.

The train started. Rodney  
climbed on the seat and an-  
nounced that he was a pirate  
and wanted to kill everybody.  
Then he sat down, swung his  
legs, and for 10 minutes made  
a noise like an old lorry going up  
hill in bottom gear.

When I couldn't stand the din  
any longer I patted him smartly  
on the head and asked,  
"Wouldn't you like to sit on my  
lap, Rodney?"

### What's steam?

"As soon as he accepted the  
invitation I began to wish that I  
had put off my experiment in  
child management until the  
journey home. My salary at the  
time was so small, that I had  
until the day before owned only  
one suit, a furry, baggy thing,  
stained with spilt beer and  
chemicals and pickled with  
tobacco, which I had worn for  
examinations, celebrations after  
football matches, taking nurses  
to the pictures, and the similar  
scattered excitements of a  
medical student's life. Feeling  
that this suit would not, only  
lose me the job but probably be  
condemned on sight by the new  
hospital authorities and burned  
as insanitary, I had borrowed a  
few pounds and bought a some-  
what ready-made outfit that  
would have satisfied an earnest  
young under-taker. And now this  
infant was wiping his feet on  
the trousers, blowing his nose  
on the lapels, and twisting the  
top waistcoat button like a man

with a roaring thirst trying to  
unstopper a bottle of beer.  
"You are clever, with  
children," came admiringly  
from the opposite seat. "Fancy  
letting him climb all over you  
like that. Anyone who didn't  
know would think he was  
simply ruining your clothes."

"Let's look out of the win-  
dow," I said hastily, pressing  
the child's nose against the  
grimy glass.

"What's that?" Rodney  
demanded at once.

"That's steam."  
"Oh, that's steam."  
"What's steam?"

"Steam? Well, it's a sort of  
water."  
"What's that?"  
"That's white stuff."  
"Oh, that's steam."  
"What's steam?"

"How does it make the engine  
go?"

### Not again

I tried to remember elemen-  
tary physics. "It enters the  
cylinder under pressure."  
"What's pressure?"  
"Pressure? Well, pressure's  
a sort of term...."  
He went on like this for some  
miles.

Rodney made his lorry noise  
again for another 20 minutes,  
then crossed the carriage.  
I hoped he would at last get the  
thick ear he deserved, particu-  
larly when he pushed her hat  
and tore the brooch from her  
bosom. But somehow she kept  
her temper. She merely looked  
at me pleadingly and asked:

"Could you possibly take him  
back again?"  
I shook my head. If she was  
an over-indulgent mother, she  
deserved her punishment.  
Besides, I had started on my  
sandwiches.

"I'm hungry," yelled the  
child.

"This is a highly unsuitable  
diet for infants," I said  
resignedly. "But if it keeps you  
quiet you may come and gorge  
yourself."

### One bite

Rodney finished more of the  
sandwiches than I did, because  
he disposed of each by taking a  
single bite and rubbing the rest  
of the cheese and mustard  
pickle down my jacket and  
waistcoat. By now I had given  
up all hope of the job. I was  
wondering if I had something  
on me to anaesthetise the child  
when I slowly became aware  
of a dampness where he was  
sitting on my knee.

"Really, madam!" I said  
angrily, jumping up. "If you  
can't train your child better  
than this—"

She looked at me in amaze-  
ment. "My child? Good heavens,  
do you imagine I'd let any child  
of mine climb over me in that  
disgusting way? I thought he  
was yours."

"Mine? Rodney? Where's  
your mummy?"

"Gone to get a cup of tea."  
"Thank heavens! She's on  
the train. Where are you  
going?"

"Weylwyn Garden City."  
"And we're non-stop to New-  
castle," murmured the blonde.

### Half-fare

"Someone's got to pay," said  
the guard, as he made out the  
ticket. "One first-class return—  
it'll be half-fare, at least. You  
can get the night train from  
Newcastle, but you'll have to  
look after him till then."  
"But I've got an important  
interview!" I said, possibly  
arrive there with a small child.  
"Sorry, sir. We're the London  
North-Eastern Railway, not a  
kindergarten."

## HE'S THE TOUGHEST ADVENTURER AMONG THE TOUGH RUSSIAN REDS

By John Atkinson

THE most powerful man  
in Russia, stubby,  
gold-toothed Nikita  
Khrushchev, has made two  
new moves in his drive to  
high-gear the Soviet's pro-  
duction of food and  
machinery.

He has ordered thousands  
of experienced workers in  
the Communist Party  
government and scientific  
institutions to hurry off to  
backward farms and tone  
up their output.

And, secondly, Khrushchev has  
set up a Ministry of General  
Machine-building to concentrate  
on stocking new factories with  
plant.

What sort of a man is he, this  
Khrushchev, who has rushed his  
way to power in the world's most  
hazardous political scramble with  
all the finesse of a bulldozer?

Eyes of that baby-blue colour  
which melts a mother's heart  
dispute the stony brutality of  
the man. He is stubby, efficient  
and bounding with aggressive  
vitality. In the kiss-of-death  
manner he slaps on the back all  
those whom he is plotting to  
destroy.

A few days after he pitched  
Malenkov from the Premiership  
two months ago they went to-  
gether to a play—"Wings," by  
Alexander Kornelchuk—and ap-  
plauded scenes attacking  
Lavrenti Beria, secret police  
chief sent to the firing squad by  
Malenkov a year previously.

Such are the jovial blandish-  
ments of Khrushchev. But his  
heart is as cold as the iron ore  
his father mined near Kursk, on  
the fringe of the Ukraine, the  
rolling, rich republic which  
forms the Soviet's western flank.  
Nikita followed his father into  
the mines, then worked as a  
shepherd and later went into a  
mill. And in Lenin's towed wagon  
of revolution against the Czar,  
it did not matter that rough

laugh Khrushchev could not read  
till he was 25.

He elbowed his way into the  
world's picture as a major of  
Moscow when the city's under-  
ground railway was being built.  
Nikita took all the credit for  
that job, and went back to the  
Ukraine on promotion as secre-  
tary of the Communist Party  
there.

An assassin tried to kill him  
with a bomb, but slipped—and it  
was the assassin who died.

Then Russian troops moved  
into Poland (lining up against  
Hitler's invaders in 1939) and  
Khrushchev was ordered by the  
Kremlin to Communise the  
Soviet-held half of the country.

He ordered the Polish farm  
workers to seize big estates and  
divide the land between them.  
He put workmen into factory  
directors' jobs, and as the rich  
became poor he threatened: "If  
anyone tries to stop us we will  
knock him out."

Stalin made him a lieutenant-  
general (political) when the  
Germans attacked Russia. Three  
years later, when the Ukraine  
was liberated by Soviet troops,  
Khrushchev, in red-tipped uni-  
form, was made its President.

The vodka of victory was  
heavy stuff and the Ukrainians,  
who fought stoutly against the  
Germans, grew restive under  
Russia and wanted independence.

This "resurgence of national-  
ism," as Khrushchev called it,  
was put down harshly. He  
purged half the Ukraine's  
Communist Party officials, Gaois  
filled and firing squads emptied  
them.

In all this Khrushchev was ably  
helped by Colonel Ivan Serov, a  
gurge specialist. Serov is now  
Russia's Minister of State  
Security.

For his brash work in taming  
the proud Ukraine, Stalin  
called faithful Khrushchev back  
to Moscow. And rewarded him  
with membership of the Party's  
policy-making Politburo.



Nikita Khrushchev

The miner's son was on his  
way to power, and soon his star  
rose higher. Stalin made him a  
secretary in the Party director-  
ship—the central committee—and  
Khrushchev used this new job to  
attack all ranks and, thereby,  
the government. He said: "There is  
widespread political frivolity,  
loafing and revelation of State  
secrets. Appointments are made  
on the basis of friendship,  
personal devotion and blood re-  
lationship. This cheating must  
stop."

It was as though an official at  
Tory Party headquarters got up  
and accused the British Cabinet  
of graft and corruption.

Yes, Khrushchev prides himself  
on punch and drive and straight  
talking. When Moscow's building  
programme was slowed by  
"serious mistakes" after the war,  
he took over and called the  
bosses and foremen together  
under the night-shift floodlights.

Khrushchev demanded "better  
discipline." He got it.

He was seventh on the Krem-  
lin power list when Stalin died  
in March 1953 and Malenkov  
took over. Then Malenkov made  
his fatal mistake. He appointed  
Khrushchev First Secretary of the  
Party—gave him the power that  
kept Stalin in the driver's seat  
for 30 years.

Khrushchev worked fast. He  
seized control of food production,  
lashed the Ministry for mistakes  
and pitched civil servants from  
city office jobs to plough up  
virgin land, twice the area of  
England, in Siberia and Kaza-  
khstan.

Whenever possible he hoisted  
at Party rallies that he was  
acting and speaking for the  
Soviet. Malenkov sat poker-  
faced and silent.

"Within two years of Malenkov's  
appointment as Premier, Khrush-  
chev had him out and replaced  
by Marshal Nikolai Bulganin,  
a demagogic political soldier noted  
for his love of wine and other  
mellow things and for his  
willingness to obey a strong boss.

This was a highlight in Khrush-  
chev's soaring career. He wore  
with the red-tipped lights of  
Russia's parliament house gleam-  
ing on his balding pate.

There sat Malenkov, his stubby  
face impassive, as the chairman,  
Alexander Volkov, read out his  
confession of "guilt and mis-  
takes" and his "request" to be  
allowed to resign.

Then Khrushchev rose.

"Comrade Deputies," he said,  
"on instructions from the Central  
Committee of the Party...I sub-  
mit the proposal to appoint  
Comrade Nikolai Alexandrovich  
Bulganin. We all know Nikolai  
Alexandrovich..."

Khrushchev stepped back. The  
1,300 members of the parliament  
that never says "no" raised  
assenting hands to his proposal.

In a few days he had hustled  
a new team of deputy premiers  
into position. All were men  
equipped for carrying out  
Khrushchev's orders to buck up  
farm output and heavy industry  
—steel for new factories,  
tractors, machinery, guns and  
tanks.

Yes, 63-year-old Nikita  
Khrushchev, father of two sons  
and several daughters, is making  
all the cunning on the tough  
Kremlin course.

by Richard  
Gordon



RICHARD GORDON is not his real  
name and he did not mean to be a  
writer. He qualified as a doctor in  
1945 and for professional reasons  
used a non-de-plume; his real name  
is Gordon Ostrove.

As a ship's doctor he found himself  
with time on his hands as a trip to  
Australia. So he wrote a funny book  
about his experiences as a medical  
student—and found himself high in  
the ranks of top-selling authors.

Doctor in the House has run this  
170,000 copies, been translated into  
many languages, and became a most  
successful British film.

Dr. Ostrove has given up medicine,  
and Richard Gordon, now aged 32, is  
a full-time writer. He lives in Oxford  
with his wife (also a doctor) and  
their small son.

A little while ago I saw a  
photograph of the hospital new  
wing in the papers. Like an  
old love letter, it gave me a  
feeling of sadness overwhelmed  
by relief that some other man  
was chosen in the end.

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Sir Compton Mackenzie's  
story yesterday was FACT.

Now you have to decide:  
Did Richard Gordon make  
his story up—or did it really  
happen to him? See to-  
morrow.

DID IT REALLY HAPPEN?  
No. 6: Rodney's the Name.  
YES NO

The seventh tale in the  
series will appear  
**TOMORROW**

when the problem is  
posed by  
**ERIC WILLIAMS**

Among those who fol-  
low him are:

- ROBERT HENRIQUES  
—D-Day planner,  
Commando, novelist  
and poet.
- BERNARD NEWMAN  
—world traveller, au-  
thority on espionage.
- JERRARD TICKELL  
—biographer of  
Odette Churchill.
- MICHAEL PERTWEE  
—playwright, author  
of TV's top-ranking  
series, The Grove  
Family.

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chev had him out and replaced  
by Marshal Nikolai Bulganin,  
a demagogic political soldier noted  
for his love of wine and other  
mellow things and for his  
willingness to obey a strong boss.

This was a highlight in Khrush-  
chev's soaring career. He wore  
with the red-tipped lights of  
Russia's parliament house gleam-  
ing on his balding pate.

There sat Malenkov, his stubby  
face impassive, as the chairman,  
Alexander Volkov, read out his  
confession of "guilt and mis-  
takes" and his "request" to be  
allowed to resign.

Then Khrushchev rose.

"Comrade Deputies," he said,  
"on instructions from the Central  
Committee of the Party...I sub-  
mit the proposal to appoint  
Comrade Nikolai Alexandrovich  
Bulganin. We all know Nikolai  
Alexandrovich..."

Khrushchev stepped back. The  
1,300 members of the parliament  
that never says "no" raised  
assenting hands to his proposal.

In a few days he had hustled  
a new team of deputy premiers  
into position. All were men  
equipped for carrying out  
Khrushchev's orders to buck up  
farm output and heavy industry  
—steel for new factories,  
tractors, machinery, guns and  
tanks.

Yes, 63-year-old Nikita  
Khrushchev, father of two sons  
and several daughters, is making  
all the cunning on the tough  
Kremlin course.

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## Hunt For Rare Animals

By BILL GLASS

Brussels.  
LEE Talbot, 24-year-old  
American ecologist—  
student of plant and ani-  
mal life in relation to en-  
vironment—is going hunt-  
ing next month for ani-  
mals most of the world has  
never seen and rarely heard  
of.

Talbot, tall, fair-haired  
chief of the "survival ser-  
vice" of the International  
Union for the Protection of  
Nature, leaves Brussels on  
a trek half-way round the  
world—a mercy mission  
to save the lives of rare  
animals threatened with  
extinction by rapidly ex-  
panding civilisation.

In his modest office close  
by King Baudouin's palace,  
Talbot, who comes from  
Berkeley, California, plans  
his five-month trek through  
the Near, Middle and Far  
East, over parched desert  
trails, through uncharted  
jungle tracks.

### VERTICAL HORNS

In Arabia he will look  
for the oryx, a small pure  
white antelope type with  
vertical horns. Talbot says  
it is the origin of the uni-  
corn myth and is close to  
extinction.

In Syria, Iraq and the  
Lebanon he will search for  
the Syrian wild donkey,  
known three thousand  
years before the birth of  
Christ. It is a cross be-  
tween a horse and a zebra  
and is only three feet  
high, and is said to be the  
forerunner of the modern  
horse.

There are believed to be none  
living, but Talbot hopes to find  
some in the "Fertile Crescent  
Region," a vast uncharted area  
in northern Syria and Iraq.  
Says Talbot: "It will probably  
find traces of other rare animals  
up there too—animals probably  
unknown to modern science."

### WILD ASS

In Pakistan he will seek the  
Asian lion and the wild ass.  
Then India, to search again for  
the Asiatic lion, and for traces  
of the great Indian rhinoceros.  
"It is the second largest  
existing rhino," says Talbot.  
"It is really prehistoric. It's a  
walking tank. Stands six feet  
high at the shoulder. Sixteen  
feet long. It's got folds of skin  
like armour-plating."

In Burma, Malaya and Indo-  
nesia, Talbot will track the near  
extinct Javan one-horned rhino-  
ceros.  
For the slow extinction of  
some of the world's animals  
Talbot blames mankind. For  
centuries the Asiatic lion was  
hunted and slaughtered for  
sport by Oriental princes.

The great Indian rhinoceros  
and the little Javan one-horned  
rhino have been hunted for  
hundreds of years by natives  
who believe their horn, the skin  
and other parts of the animal  
have magic properties. Talbot  
hopes to persuade them other-  
wise.

**TATKOO  
SUGAR  
HALF CUBES  
GRANULATED  
ICING  
CASTER**









## LAST NIGHT'S BADMINTON

## RAMON YOUNG LOOKS SET TO REGAIN THE COLONY SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

By "TOUCHWOOD"

Thomas Cupper Ramon Young last night served notice of his intention to recapture the Colony's Open Singles title when he scored at will to beat Yong Kuen-cheong 15-5, 15-5 at the St Theresa's Hall.

The ex-Colony Champion displayed a repertoire of strokes to keep his opponent guessing all the while as to where the shuttle would drop.

Perhaps it was Ramon's immaculate backhand shot to both sides of the net that really overcame Yong for time and again Ramon left him standing in a rally.

Ramon ran off to a 6-0 lead in the opening set before Yong broke the duck by scoring two points off a hit-outs by his opponent.

Yong managed to bring the score to 10-4 and then held three match points before bowing out at 15-5.

In the next set, the ex-Champion on three services brought

the score to 11-1 and then a succession of errors saw Yong taking four points in a row. This turned out to be the best he could do for Ramon Young, without much ado, took set and match at 15-5, 15-5.

In another Open Singles match, Bill Funk, contender for the title, scored an impressive 15-6, 15-0 victory over J. Scores in a match that produced some very fine rallies, especially in the opening set.

Services changed hands several times at 2-1 in Funk's favour but Scores failed to make any further progress due to his weak backhand. Funk led 8-1, 11-4, 13-6 to take the first set at 15-6. It was a tired Scores in the second set. Funk's deep baseline lob shots and accurate net drops took the wind out of his opponent and he won set and match without conceding a single point in this set.

The Open Singles is now in the semi-final stage and the four survivors are Ramon Young and Junior Pomeroy in the top section and Dr K. S. Low and Bill Funk in the other half. The clash of these players in the next few days will be worth the trouble of going a long way to watch as there is bound to be some interesting and keen competition.

I predict Ramon Young and Bill Funk as the eventual finalists.

Schoolboys Wong Wai-hung and George Ma put up a very good show against M. Ebrahim and P. V. Yap in the Men's Doubles quarter-finals with victory going to Yap and Ebrahim at 15-6, 15-9.

The schoolboys would have done better had they played their usual game. Last night they were overawed by the reputations of Yap and Ebrahim and it was only in the second set that they put up a much improved performance.

In the only Mixed Doubles match of the night, Junior Pomeroy and Miss R. Remedios scored the semi-final by beating E. K. L. Liu and Miss K. S. Lai 15-7, 15-9.

Pomeroy covered his partner very well and at no stage were they in danger of losing the match. Pomeroy and Miss Remedios will meet Bill Funk and Miss Helen Kwong in the semi-final.

## THE RESULTS

Senior Men's Singles  
R. Young beat Yong Kuen-cheong 15-5, 15-5; Bill Funk beat J. A. Scores 15-6, 15-0.

Senior Men's Doubles  
M. Ebrahim and P. V. Yap beat Wong Wai-hung and George Ma 15-6, 15-9.  
Junior Mixed Doubles  
Junior Pomeroy and Miss R. Remedios beat E. K. L. Liu and Miss K. S. Lai 15-7, 15-9.

## AUSTRALIA 476 FOR 7 AT GEORGETOWN

Georgetown, British Guiana, Apr. 21. Australia had scored 476 for seven wickets in reply to British Guiana's first innings total of 177 at the close of play on the second day of their four-day match here today.—Reuter.

## All But Two Overseas Players Eliminated In Spalding Golf

London, Apr. 21.

Arthur Lees, a player with an established reputation, led the field by two strokes after the second round in the Spalding Professional Golf Tournament which was continued on the High and West Course at Moor Park, Hertfordshire, today.

With players having reversed courses compared with yesterday's round, today's completed the qualifying and only 40 professionals and one amateur survived for the final 36 holes tomorrow.

This golfcourse action eliminated all the overseas players apart from two Irishmen. All five South Africans and representatives of Belgium, Holland and Denmark were eliminated. Also many famous British names as well as perhaps natural with only 40 places vacant for professionals out of an entry of nearly 200.

The final qualifying score was 145 and Lees led with 138 having repeated his High Course score of 68 when he played on the West Course today.

In second place was Eric Lester, one of the up and coming British stars, with 139 and then followed the overnight leader, Cecil Denny, who surprisingly took 22 on the easier West Course after his 67 yesterday.

## SOUTH CHINA'S INTER-SCHOOL INVITATIONAL

The Tenth Inter-School Invitational Athletic Meeting annually sponsored by the South China Amateur Athletic Association will take place at the Caroline Hill Stadium on Sunday, April 24, commencing at 10 a.m. and Sunday, May 1, starting at 9 a.m.

Thirty-three schools have entered this championship, which is divided into five sections, namely the Senior Boys (5 to 12 ins and over), Junior Boys (under 5 ft 2 ins and over 4 ft 10 ins), Senior Girls (4 ft 10 ins and over), Junior Girls (under 4 ft 10 ins) and the Hon. D. J. S. Crozier, Director of Education, has kindly consented to officiate. The prize giving will take place at 4.30 p.m. on the second day of the meeting, Sunday, May 1.

## MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

New York, Apr. 21.

Major League baseball scores today were:

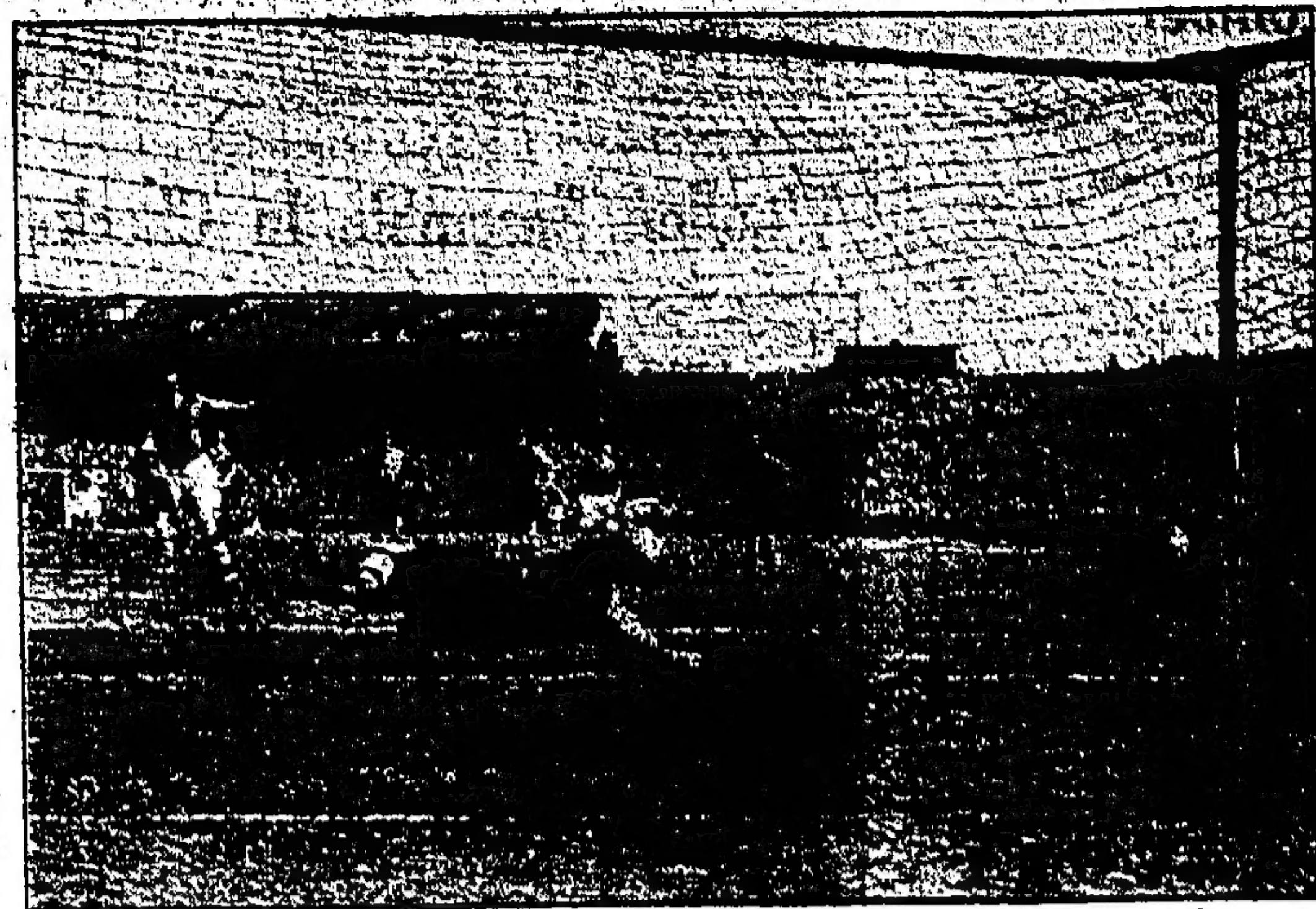
National League  
Philadelphia 4, 9, 2  
Brooklyn 14, 17, 1

American League  
Chicago 9, 10, 0  
Detroit 1, 0, 0

Forties (1-0) and Lollar Garver, Zverink (6), Miller (6), Maas (8) and House, LP Garver (1-2). HR—Kell (1st), Kallio (4th).

Boston 0, 3, 2  
Washington 0, 2, 1  
Pittsburgh 2, 1, 1 and Edwards  
Baltimore 2, 5, 1  
New York 14, 18, 0  
Kretlow, Kuzava (4), Alexander (4), Moss, Turley (2-4) and Berra. LP—Kretlow (2-2). HR—Moss (2nd), Bauer (2nd).—United Press.

## THIS "WHAM" GAVE CHELSEA TWO POINTS



Following an infringement, Chelsea's right wing, P. Sillett, takes the penalty kick and scores with a shot which leaves Wolves' goalkeeper Williams quite helpless.

Thus Chelsea gained two points, for this was the only goal in the vital match which may give Chelsea their first ever League Championship. This game was played at Stamford Bridge.—Reuterphoto.

## Softball League Batting Averages And Statistics

(Compiled by J. J. Colloco, Jr., Scorer-in-Chief of the Hongkong Softball Association)

BATTING AVERAGES			
Senior "A"			
1. S. S. Hui	Pandora 'A'	449	
2. Bull Dabber	Braves	392	
3. Frankie Loure	Braves	381	
4. Dave Leonard	St Joseph's	374	
5. John Remedios	Braves	373	
6. S. L. Lim	Pandora 'A'	373	
7. Arthur Bunting	St Joseph's	373	
8. Fernando Marques	Warriors	373	
9. Ching Yuen-chung	Blackhawks 'B'	373	
10. K. Y. Chan	CAA	373	
Senior "B"			
1. Jim Armstrong	Americans	438	
2. Cuscuta Souza	Blackhawks 'A'	429	
3. Johnny Pereira	Blackhawks 'A'	429	
4. Angelo D'Aquino	Pandora 'B'	429	
5. Ralph Bunting	Americans	429	
6. John Remedios	Americans	429	
7. M. Hira Kowani	Americans	429	
8. P. K. Young	Overseas 'A'	429	
9. Tony Rodrigues	Blackhawks 'A'	429	
10. Eddie Tao	Pandora 'B'	429	
Junior League			
1. Bernardo Gomes	Blackhawks 'B'	461	
2. Sonny Pires	Dukes	410	
3. Peter Zee	Pandora 'B'	470	
4. John Remedios	P. I. Dodgers	465	
5. Y. N. Hui	Wah Yung	461	
6. Paul Dabber	CAA	461	
7. Eddie Souza	Dukes	461	
8. Eduardo Ribeiro	Blackhawks 'B'	461	
9. Edmund Wu	P. I. Dodgers	461	
10. Francis Souza	CAA	461	
Ladies League			
1. Evelyn Alonso	Wahoos 'B'	473	
2. Flavia Colloco	Wahoos 'A'	471	
3. Carolyn Lee	Wahoos 'B'	471	
4. Angela D'Aquino	Wahoos 'A'	471	
5. Sheila Silva	Wahoos 'A'	471	
6. Yulanda Silva	Wahoos 'A'	471	
7. Emily Balda	CAA	471	
8. C. H. Lee	CAA	471	
9. L. W. Chan	CAA	471	
MOST HITS			
1. "A" League	Carlton Yvanovich	20	
2. "B" League	Bernardo Gomes	19	
3. Junior League	Bernardo Gomes	19	
4. Ladies League	Evelyn Alonso	28	
SLUGGING AVERAGES			
Senior "A"			
1. Dave Leonard	St Joseph's	735	
2. S. S. Hui	Pandora	528	
3. Frankie Loure	Braves	528	
4. S. L. Lim	Pandora	528	
5. John Remedios	Braves	528	
6. S. L. Lim	St Joseph's	528	
7. Arthur Bunting	St Joseph's	528	
8. Fernando Marques	Warriors	528	
9. Ching Yuen-chung	Blackhawks 'B'	528	
10. K. Y. Chan	CAA	528	
Senior "B"			
1. Cuscuta Souza	Blackhawks 'A'	755	
2. Johnny Pereira	Blackhawks 'A'	574	
3. Angelo D'Aquino	Pandora 'B'	565	
4. Ralph Bunting	Americans	565	
5. Jim Armstrong	Americans	565	
6. John Remedios	Pandora 'B'	565	
7. M. Hira Kowani	Americans	565	
8. P. K. Young	Overseas 'A'	565	
9. Tony Rodrigues	Blackhawks 'A'	565	
10. Eddie Tao	Pandora 'B'	565	
Junior League			
1. George Korwall	Comets	750	
2. Y. N. Hui	Wah Yung	640	
3. Paul Dabber	CAA	613	
4. Daniel Castro	Blackhawks 'B'	563	
5. K. K. Wong	CAA	571	
6. Bernardo Gomes	Blackhawks 'B'	558	
7. Eduardo Ribeiro	Dukes	545	
8. Cypre Caldas	P. I. Dodgers	520	
9. Shirley Czeu	P. I. Dodgers	520	
10. Francis Souza	CAA	520	
Ladies League			
1. Sheila Silva	Wahoos 'A'	775	
2. Angela D'Aquino	Wahoos 'B'	713	
3. Evelyn Alonso	Wahoos 'B'	610	
4. Flavia Colloco	Wahoos 'A'	588	
5. Amy Chang	Pandora	578	
6. Emily Balda	CAA	525	
7. Shirley Czeu	CAA	528	
8. L. W. Chan	CAA	500	
MOST HOME RUNS			
1. "A" League	Dave Leonard	St Joseph's	5
2. "B" League	Ken Donaldson	Americans	5
3. Junior League	Daniel Castro	Blackhawks 'B'	5
4. Ladies League	Carolyn Lee	Wahoos 'B'	5

## MOST RUNS BATTED IN

1. "A" League: Dave Leonard, St Joseph's, 12  
2. "B" League: Mico Guan, Blackhawks 'B', 10  
3. Junior League: Mico Guan, Blackhawks 'B', 10  
4. Ladies League: Carolyn Lee, Wahoos 'B', 10

## MOST RUNS SCORED

1. "A" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 16  
2. "B" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 16  
3. Junior League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 16  
4. Ladies League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 16

## MOST STOLEN BASES

1. "A" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 13  
2. "B" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 13  
3. Junior League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 13  
4. Ladies League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 13

## MOST SACRIFICE HITS

1. "A" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 4  
2. "B" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 4  
3. Junior League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 4  
4. Ladies League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 4

## MOST PUT OUTS

1. "A" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 80  
2. "B" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 80  
3. Junior League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 80  
4. Ladies League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 80

## MOST ASSISTS

1. "A" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 27  
2. "B" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 27  
3. Junior League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 27  
4. Ladies League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 27

## MOST DOUBLE PLAYS

1. "A" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 4  
2. "B" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 4  
3. Junior League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 4  
4. Ladies League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 4

## LEAST ERRORS

1. "A" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 1  
2. "B" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 1  
3. Junior League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 1  
4. Ladies League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 1

## BEST FIELDING AVERAGES

1. "A" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 950  
2. "B" League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 950  
3. Junior League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 950  
4. Ladies League: Y. S. Lung, Pandora 'A', 950

## Senior "A"

1. Bull Dabber, Braves, 950  
2. Carl Yvanovich, Braves, 947  
3. Y. K. Chan, CAA, 947  
4. Y. K. Chan, CAA, 947  
5. Y. K. Chan, CAA, 947  
6. Y. K. Chan, CAA, 947  
7. Y. K. Chan, CAA, 947  
8. Y. K. Chan, CAA, 947  
9. Y. K. Chan, CAA, 947  
10. Y. K. Chan, CAA, 947

## Senior "B"

1. John Corvaho, Americans, 919  
2. John Corvaho, Americans, 919  
3. John Corvaho, Americans, 919  
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## Junior League

1. Robert Remedios, P. I. Dodgers, 978  
2. Eduardo Ribeiro, Blackhawks 'B', 963  
3. Edmund Wu, CAA Jr., 927  
4. Dennis Nunes, CAA Jr., 917  
5. Eddie Souza, Dukes, 871  
6. Sonny Pires, Dukes, 871  
7. Mico Guan, Blackhawks 'B', 871  
8. Boro Kwok, CAA Jr., 871  
9. Peter Zee, Pandas Jr., 871  
10. Majid Osman, Comets, 871

## Ladies League

1. Evelyn Alonso, Wahoos 'B', 888  
2. Flavia Colloco, Wahoos 'A', 888  
3. Y. C. Kwan, SCAA, 888  
4. Angela D'Aquino, Wahoos 'B', 888  
5. Julie Souza, Pandas, 888  
6. L. W. Chan, CAA, 888  
7. Amy Chang, Pandas, 888  
8. Emily Balda, Wahoos 'A', 888  
9. Shirley Czeu, Pandas, 888  
10. Yulanda Silva, Wahoos 'A', 888

## ASIAN SPORTS REVIEW

## Madras Win The Ranji Trophy For The First Time

Madras won the Ranji Trophy for the first time in the history of this all-India Cricket Championship tournament when they beat Holkar by 46 runs in the final which was completed at Indore on April 6.

Holkar needed 373 runs on the last day with 290 minutes left for play and the fact that they scored 326 against the very much in form spin bowling combination of Murgesh and Kripal Singh showed how determined they were to regain the trophy they have held on four occasions.

The scores were: Madras 478 (C. D. Gopinath 133, S. Balakrishnan 78, A. G. Kripal Singh 75, A. K. Sarangan 74 not out, H. G. Gokhale 4 for 137) and 311 (A. G. Kripal Singh 91, R. B. Alaganan 56 not out).

Holkar 477 (N. R. Nivarskar 85, S. R. Jaday 77, S. Mushtaq Ali 55) and 326 (S. Mushtaq Ali 51, C. T. Sarwar 56, R. P. Singh 54, M. R. Murgesh 5 for 114, A. G. Kripal Singh 4 for 113).

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NOTICE is hereby given  
that the Sixty-Sixth Ordinary  
Yearly Meeting of Share-  
holders will be held at the  
offices of the Company, No. 9 Ice House Street, Fourth  
Floor, Hongkong, on Thurs-  
day, 6th May 1955, at Noon,  
for the purpose of receiving  
the Statement of Accounts  
and the Report of the Direc-  
tors for the year ended 31st  
December 1954, and to trans-  
act the ordinary business of  
the Company.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of  
the Company will be closed  
from Thursday, 21st April  
1955 until Thursday, 5th May  
1955, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board  
of Directors,  
Shewen Tomes & Co., Ltd.,  
R. V. LEDERHOFER,  
Director,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 15th Apr., 1955.

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## NOTICE

UNION INSURANCE  
SOCIETY OF CANTON,  
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### Notice to Shareholders

Notice is hereby given that  
the ORDINARY YEARLY  
MEETING of the Society will  
be held at the Head Office of  
the Society, Union Building,  
Hong Kong, on Thursday,  
26th May 1955 at 11.30 a.m.,  
to receive the Directors'  
Report and the Statement of  
Accounts, to declare a  
dividend and to transact the  
ordinary business of the  
Society.

THE SHARE TRANSFER  
BOOKS of the Society will be  
CLOSED from 7th May to 26th  
May, both days inclusive.

### By Order of the Board,

L. B. STONE,  
General Manager.

Hongkong, 6th Apr., 1955.

## NOTICE

UNION INSURANCE  
SOCIETY OF CANTON,  
LIMITED

### Notice to Shareholders

Notice is hereby given  
that an EXTRAORDINARY  
GENERAL MEETING of the  
Shareholders of the Society  
will be held at the Head Office  
of the Society, Union Build-  
ing, Pedder Street, Hong  
Kong, on Thursday, the  
Twenty-sixth day of May  
1955 at 11.45 a.m., or so soon  
afterwards as the Ordinary  
Yearly Meeting, to be held at  
11.30 a.m. on that day, shall  
have concluded, when the  
subjoined resolutions will be  
submitted as Ordinary  
Resolutions:—

(1) That the Issued Capital of  
the Society be increased from  
£1,250,000 to  
£1,500,000 by the creation  
of fifteen thousand new  
shares of £10 each.

(2) That:—  
(a) It is desirable to  
capitalize a sum of One  
hundred and fifty thou-  
sand pounds being part of  
the undivided profits of  
the Society standing to  
the credit of the Exchange  
and Investment Fluctuation  
Account and accordingly  
that such sum be  
capitalized and applied  
in payment in full for  
fifteen thousand new  
shares of the Society of  
Ten Pounds each at par  
and that such shares  
credited as fully paid up  
be distributed amongst  
the Shareholders who on  
the twenty-sixth day of  
May 1955 were registered  
Shareholders of the  
Society in the proportion  
of one new share for  
every nine then held  
by such Shareholders  
respectively and that  
the shares so distrib-  
uted shall be treated for  
all purposes as an in-  
crease of the issued  
Capital of the Society  
held by each Shareholder  
and not as income, and  
that such shares shall  
rank for dividend as from  
the first day of January  
1955 and shall in all  
other respects rank pari  
passu with the existing  
shares of the Society and  
that no fractional certifi-  
cates shall be issued but  
that shares representing  
fractions shall be allotted  
to a Trustee to be  
nominated by the Direc-  
tors upon trust for sale  
on such conditions as  
they consider expedient,  
and the net proceeds of  
sale shall be distributed  
proportionately amongst  
those members who would  
otherwise be entitled to  
such fractions and in  
satisfaction thereof.

(b) The Board of Direc-  
tors be hereby authorized  
to allot and issue new  
Shares for distribution in  
the manner and propor-  
tions aforesaid.

### By Order of the Board,

L. B. STONE,  
General Manager.

Hongkong, 6th Apr., 1955.

# INDIANS WANT PROTECTION FOR COTTON MILLS

Bombay, Apr. 21.

A possible reduction in the import duty on  
certain varieties of British textiles was discussed  
here today by prominent Indian mill owners and  
Mr H. V. Rengar, Secretary to the Ministry of  
Commerce and Industry.

The reduction had been suggested by a dele-  
gation from the British textile industry which visited  
India earlier this month. It is understood that  
while the Indian mill owners today were not hostile  
to such a reduction, they demanded there should  
be sufficient safeguards for the Indian industry.

They said the market should  
not be allowed to be flooded  
with superior Lancashire cloth  
which might prove disastrous  
to Indian cloth of fine and  
superior quality.

### DIFFICULTY ALREADY

They pointed out that  
already there was difficulty  
in finding outlets for these  
varieties in the Indian  
markets.

The mill owners also deman-  
ded that the reduction should be  
limited to certain varieties of  
cloth not produced in India.  
The Lancashire delegation  
stated when they were here  
that they did not want to come  
into conflict with the Indian  
mills. They were reported to  
have added that they had found  
certain varieties which if im-  
ported into India would not  
affect the home industry.

They said, however, that  
they would not be able to com-  
pete favourably in the Indian  
markets without a substantial  
reduction in the import duty on  
specialized fabrics which at  
present ranges from 60 to 75 per  
cent.

The Independent newspaper  
Hindustan Times said today the  
Indian Government would be  
committing an "unforgivable  
blunder" if it yielded to British  
"pressure" to reduce duties on  
British textiles.

The Independent British-  
owned newspaper Statesman  
commenting on the recent Bri-  
tish Budget, said the Chancellor  
of the Exchequer might be  
pressed to take off all purchase

# Mail Notices

The latest times of posting  
shown below are those for un-  
registered correspondence posted  
at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest  
posting times elsewhere which  
are general are shown in the  
G.P.O. times can be ascertained  
by enquiry at the local office.  
The latest posting times for  
registered articles are generally  
one hour earlier than the times  
shown below. Particular regard-  
ing parcel mails can be ascertained  
by enquiry at any post office.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 22

By Air  
Formosa, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.  
By Surface  
Thailand, 2 p.m.  
Malaya, 2 p.m.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 23

By Air  
Japan, 8 a.m.  
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New  
Zealand, Ceylon, 8 a.m.  
Thailand, Burma, India, Pakistan,  
Middle East, Africa, Great Britain &  
Europe, 10 a.m.  
Philippines, 11 a.m.  
By Surface  
Japan, 2 p.m.  
Thailand, Burma, India, Pakistan,  
Middle East, Africa, Great Britain &  
Europe, 10 a.m.  
Philippines, 11 a.m.  
Japan & U.S.A., 6 p.m.  
Thailand, Malaya, Indonesia, Aus-  
tralia, New Zealand, India, Pakis-  
tan, Middle East, Africa, Great  
Britain, Europe, 8 p.m.  
Formosa, Okinawa, Korea, 6 p.m.

# NEW-TYPE EJECTOR SEAT WILL SAVE NATO LIVES Problems Set By The 'Heat Barrier'



Peter Ustinov, the famous  
author-actor, and his wife,  
formerly Suzanne Cloutier,  
with their baby daughter,  
Pavla, watch children scramble  
for coins scattered in front of  
the couple by the godparents  
as they left the church after  
the christening of their  
daughter. The ceremony took  
place at St Paul de Venice, in  
France.—Central Press Photo.

## Radio Hongkong

6. Time Signal and Programme  
Summary. 6.03 Children's Hour.  
7.00 The Wind in the Willows.  
7.15 The Wind in the Willows.  
7.30 The Wind in the Willows.  
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5.15 The Wind in the Willows.  
5.30 The Wind in the Willows.  
5.45 The Wind in the Willows.  
6.00 The Wind in the Willows.

## Chou's Invitation

Paris, Apr. 21.—  
Chinese Communist Premier  
Chou En-lai has invited the  
Philippine chief delegate at the  
Asian-African Conference of  
Bandung, Gen Carlos Romulo, to  
visit Peking, the Indian radio  
monitored here said today.—  
France-Press.

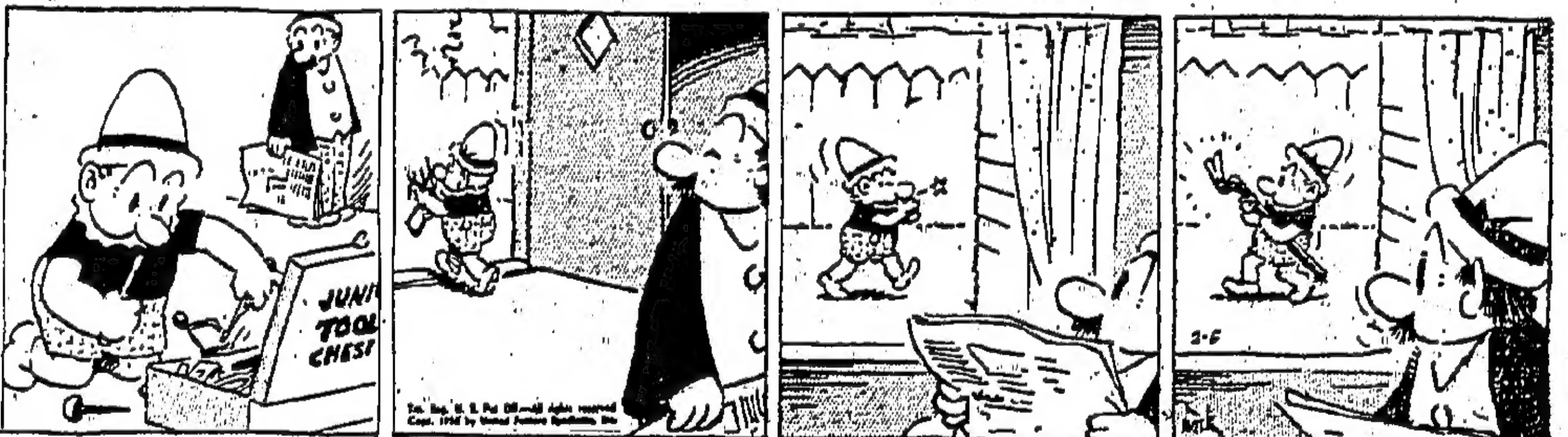
## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



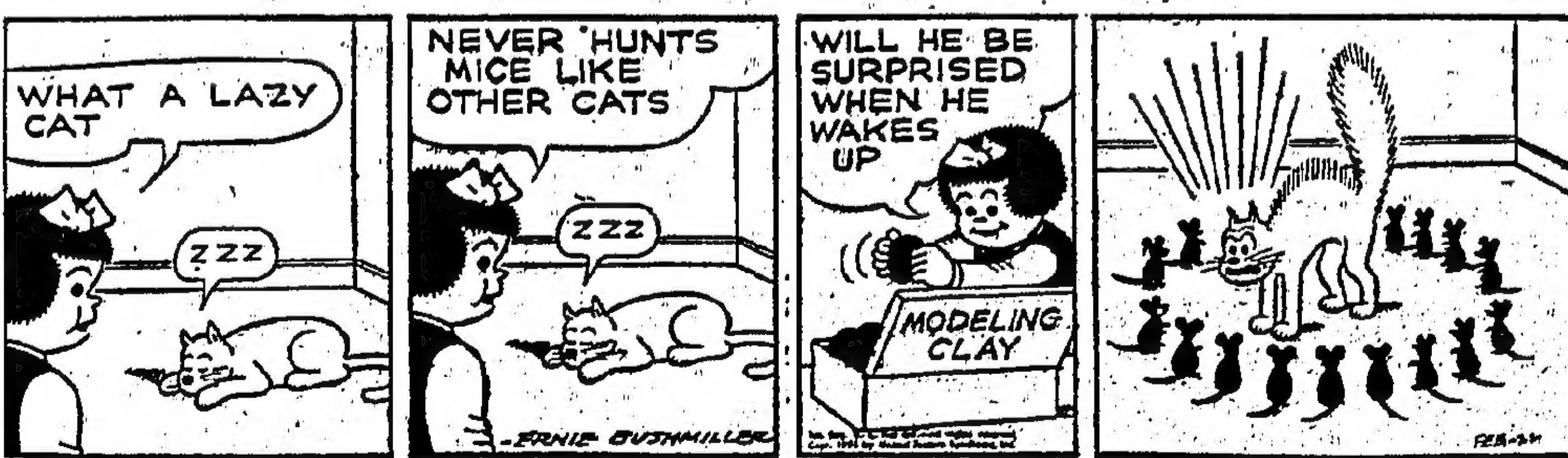
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By Milk



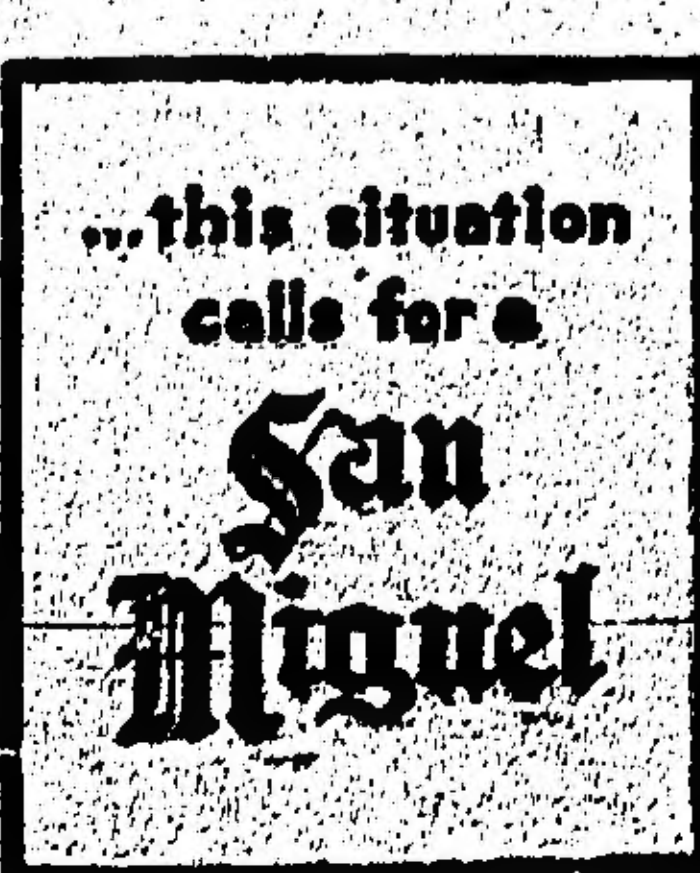
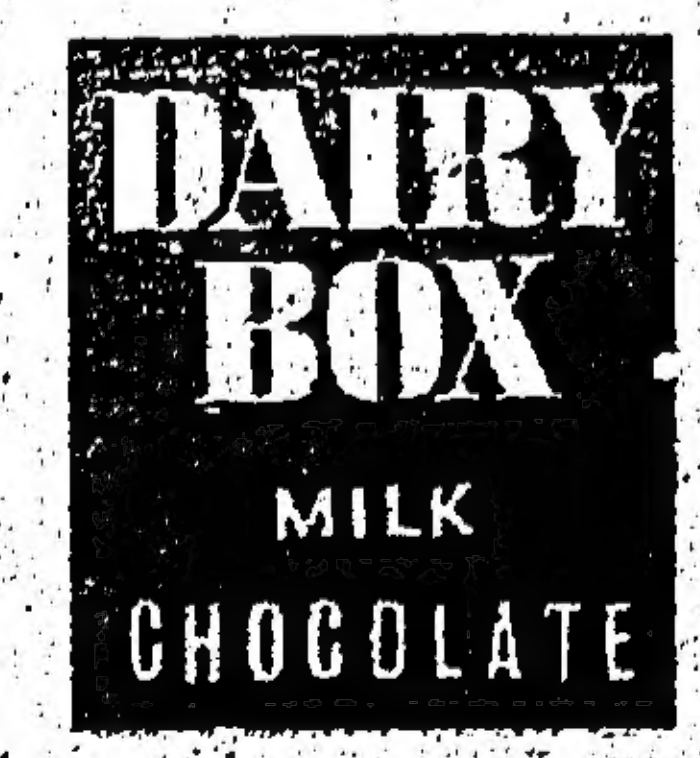
## NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



## JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins



Amsterdam, Apr. 21.

Jet fighters of the Royal Netherlands Air  
Force will shortly be equipped with a new-type  
ejector seat which automatically opens the para-  
chute at a safe height.

This is one of the results of research among  
North Atlantic Treaty countries on the many  
medical problems of flying at great heights and at  
supersonic speeds.

Holland's contribution to this  
research is largely in the hands  
of a specialist medical team at  
Soesterberg, the country's  
main military airbase. Heading  
this team is Dr M. F. Lay, who  
has outlined in a talk some of  
the important but little known  
work involved.

No human being who has  
baled out at high altitude can  
stand the violent shock of a  
parachute opening at say, 40,000  
feet, Dr Lay said. The air  
is so thin and the resistance to  
fall so slight that the sudden  
arresting force—even assuming  
that the parachute were not  
ripped to shreds—would be  
more than the human body  
could survive.

SAFE HEIGHT  
For this reason alone,  
therefore, the pilot must  
allow himself to fall un-  
hindered until he reaches a  
"safe" height—say 20,000  
feet—at which the denser  
atmosphere substantially  
slows his fall.

But Dr Lay said that apart  
from this it was essential that  
a pilot baling out at, say,  
50,000 feet, should pass as  
quickly as possible through  
the high altitude zone of sub-  
zero cold and lack of oxygen.

It takes about 80 seconds to  
fall without using a parachute  
from 50,000 feet to 20,000 feet,  
Dr Lay said. It was hardly

conceivable that after such a  
fall anyone would be able to  
go through the various move-  
ments needed to open his  
parachute and free himself from  
his ejector seat—even supposing  
he had left the aircraft unhurt.

Thus, the new type of ejector  
seat will have a barometric  
device which automatically  
opens the parachute at the right  
height and releases the seat  
straps.

Discussing the speed of  
modern jet flying, Dr Lay said  
that the sound barrier now  
presents neither technical nor  
medical problems.

The "heat barrier"—the  
problem of air friction  
against the skin of a fast-  
moving plane—is being  
tackled. He expects it to be  
completely overcome.

It had been calculated, Dr  
Lay said, that the skin  
temperature of the 1,000 miles  
an hour American Convair  
XB-58 Hustler is about 250 de-  
grees Fahrenheit.

No human being could live  
in the cabin of such an air-  
craft, in which the heat would  
be further intensified by the  
compressor maintaining cabin  
pressure, without special  
technical aids.

Two answers had been  
devised: cooling equipment; and  
the use of a sealed cabin con-  
taining its own "atmosphere."

In space travel—and Dr Lay  
said that the medicine of  
modern flying was already  
learning much on this subject—  
the heat barrier would be only  
transitory of the Earth's  
atmosphere, and with it the  
heat-causing friction, began to  
decline sharply above 45,000  
feet and faded away completely  
at about 75 miles above the  
group.

Speed alone need not affect  
human beings at all, Dr Lay  
said, as long as it was speed,  
the direction of travel perfectly  
straight, and the body protected  
against wind-stream.

"G" UNITS  
But changes in speed, in  
direction of travel, were  
dangerous in proportion to  
the rate of movement. They  
created forces measured in  
"G" units corresponding to  
the force of gravity.

A pilot pulling out of a dive,  
or banking inwards on a sharp  
turn, undergoes a "positive G"  
in which the force is down-  
wards on his body, draining the  
blood into his legs and feet.

This "positive G" is not now  
regarded by doctors as so  
dangerous as "negative G"  
which works the opposite way.  
Dr Lay gave as an illustration  
the fact that forces of as much  
as 18G (positive) are created on  
the human body by ejector  
seats fitted to American B-47  
and B-52 bombers without ill  
effect.

The greatest height at which  
living creatures have survived is  
36 miles, Dr Lay said. Two  
monkeys and some mice were  
taken to that altitude in an  
American rocket during a 17-  
minute flight which attained a  
maximum speed of 1,909 miles  
per hour.

The human altitude record is  
82,235 feet, more than 15 miles  
set up in August 1953 by  
Colonel Marion E. Carl of the  
United States Air Force in a  
Douglas Skyrocket.

Already at this height Man is  
entering what are known as  
"space equivalent conditions"—  
or the conditions of space  
travel.

An American research expert  
has laid down three frontiers at  
which Man enters true space.  
The nearest is at 50,000 feet,  
where there is no oxygen in the  
atmosphere and the human  
being has to have an artificial  
supply.

"BOIL DRY"  
The second, at 83,000 feet,  
marks the point at which,  
at a barometric pressure of  
only 47 millimetres, it is no  
longer possible to keep the  
liquids in the body from  
vapourising, and a person  
would literally "boil dry"  
if exposed to such thin  
atmosphere.

The third, at 80,000 feet, is  
where a normal pressure cabin  
becomes useless since the air is  
so thin outside that a com-  
pressor can no longer do its  
work. The completely sealed  
cabin is then the only means of  
survival.—China Mail Special.



## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

# Canada Reduces Corporation Tax

## On Large Incomes

### 10 PER CENT CONCESSION FOR INDIVIDUALS

Ottawa, Apr. 21.

Mr Walter Harris, Canadian Finance Minister, in his Budget speech announced that corporation tax on large company incomes was to be reduced while incentive tax concessions for oil, gas and mining industries, now temporary, would be made permanent.

The reduction in corporation tax lowers tax on large company incomes to 45 per cent from 47 per cent, effective January 1, 1955; tax remains unchanged at 18 per cent on small company incomes (under 20,000 dollars).

The reduction is estimated to save companies 28,000,000 dollars this fiscal year and 48,000,000 in a full tax year.

Personal income tax will be reduced by an average of 10 per cent effective July 1.

Tax cuts total 148,000,000 dollars for the current 1955-56 fiscal year, or an estimated 207,000,000 dollars for a full year. The Government forecasts a 160,000,000 dollars Budget deficit in 1955-56.

## OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Other highlights are: The Government will set up a royal commission to survey Canada's economic prospects. Budget revenue is forecast at 4,202,000,000 dollars; expenditure, 4,382,000,000 dollars. Earlier estimates of a 1954-55 budget deficit of 148,251,000 dollars are revised to 184,000,000 dollars.

The special 15 per cent excise tax on new motor cars is reduced to 10 per cent, effective immediately. The special 10 per cent excise tax on tyres and tubes is repealed immediately.

A tariff of 7 1/2 per cent is imposed for the first time on polyethylene resins, effective immediately. The tariff board is to inquire into tariffs on primary iron and steel and potatoes.

Mr Harris' forecasts of revenue were based on an analysis that the gross national product—value of goods and services produced in Canada—would reach 25,250,000,000 dollars this year. In 1954, it fell by about two per cent to an estimated 23,985,000,000 dollars.

## SET TAX LEVEL

In deciding to cut taxes, Mr Harris said he set the tax level.

## World Cotton Markets

Liverpool, Apr. 21. Cotton futures closings, American middling, in pence per lb. were as follows:

were as follows:		
July/Aug.	.....	30.07
Oct./Nov.	.....	30.00
Dec./Jan.	.....	29.95
SAO PAULO		

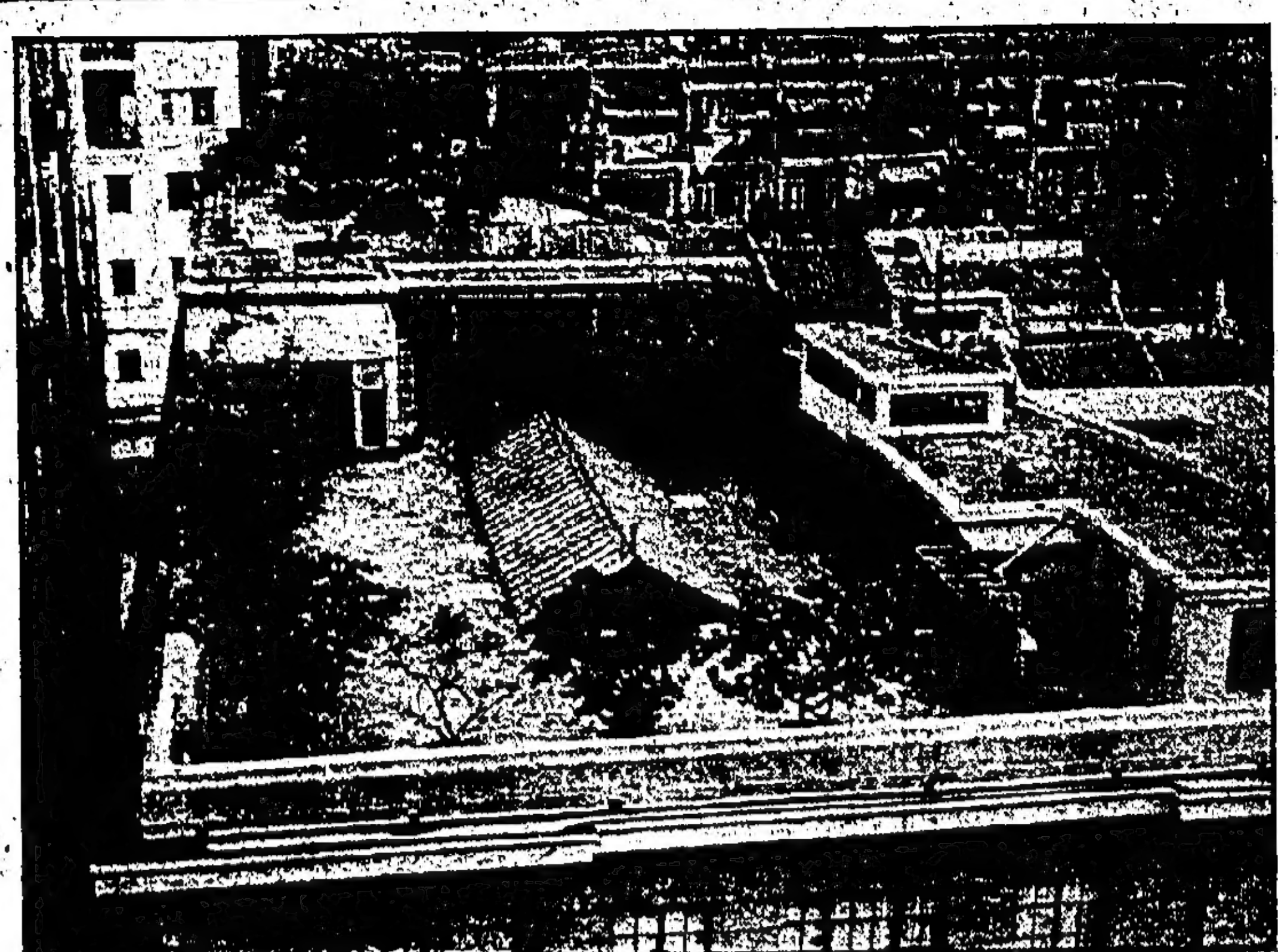


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**"CLICKER"**  
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Page 10 FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 1955.



## New Rabies Vaccine

A new form of vaccine for the inoculation of dogs against rabies has been introduced to Hong Kong. This will permit some relaxation of existing medical procedure for people bitten by dogs.

Under new regulations made by the Governor-in-Council, which will come into effect on December 1 this year, every inoculated dog has to be tattooed in the inner surface of the ear with a mark or number referring to the date of inoculation.

An inoculated dog is at present identified by a metal badge on its collar but it is considered that a more certain means of identification should be introduced if medical procedure is to be relaxed.

The regulations, published in the Government Gazette today, state that the effective period of inoculation with the new vaccine is at least three years, as opposed to one year with the old vaccine.

## QUEEN SENDS MESSAGE

(Continued from Page 1)

convening of this assembly today and our most sincere good wishes for the prosperity and happiness of Singapore in the new era which is now opening.

"It is with every confidence that I look to the Assembly and Council of Ministers to build up and maintain a tradition of mature deliberation and of sound and impartial administration. You will, I am sure, prove yourselves worthy of the high trust which has been reposed in you by the people of Singapore. Good luck to you all!"—Ruler.

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## A Fishy Interview On A City Roof Which Boasts A Garden

Four goggle-eyed gold fish lazily trailing long silver fins have looked out of a plate glass window in the wall of their little green pond for the last seven years — and seen nothing but trees and a garden.

In all that time no one has ever told them that they are really living behind the riveted steel plates of the heavy strong room-door of a bank in the heart of Hong Kong's most heavily built-up quarter—Queen's Road, Central.

When it was explained to one of them that the lives of men were very crowded and busy and could only be lived efficiently in a rush and clutter as different and as far away as possible from the beauty and quiet of a garden of trees and flowers, even in the middle of a bank, he looked quite non-plussed ("which means he was wondering what sort of fish I took him for) and seemed to say—"quicker men men."

I don't think that he really understood what I was talking about, so I tried my luck again on a plump lady gold fish who swam up to the plate glass window presently, fluttering her gorgeous draperies. I explained to her that although men very rarely use roof tops for anything, female men sometimes climb up onto them to fix up laundry lines and hang out their washing. So this made roof tops a most useless for anything else. Because you could hardly have a cocktail party, or sit sunbathing, if every gust of wind blew the neighbours' washing into your face.

**SEDUCTIVE WRIGGLE**

But the lady goldfish shrugged her plump shoulders—as if to say "what would you expect anyway of female human men? The shrew gave a seductive wriggle to her long feathery fins and made them tremble and

rise themselves out in the water of the little green pond as she floated gently away from the plate glass window.

That was how she did her washing.

I didn't think I had been very successful in explaining to either of these fish why the human men prefer ugly useless roof-tops to attractive useful ones, so when a very wise looking fish swam up presently, I tried again.

What I explained, as well as I could, was that although this Kung Yue Bank of 12/14 Queen's Road did have a beautiful garden with flowers and trees in pots and wooden buckets, and worked in that instead of in a normal strong room—they were not good examples of human habit and the fish should not on any account make any deductions about the human species when the only examples they saw of them were exceptions.

Of course it was true too that there was a very nice roof top garden on top of Marina House across the road, which sometimes had fairy lights and gay parties—but such things were not really typical of the habits of men who normally tried to avoid having anything living or artistic, or even pleasant anywhere near their roofs.

**WHAT IT COULDN'T SEE**

But the stupid old fish with bugs under his eyes could only see the lovely roof top garden of the Kung Yue Bank, and perhaps a hint of the roof garden that across the road. It couldn't see any of the typical human roof tops that I was trying to point out—covered with grimy machinery, or chimney pots, or simply large tarmac or cement spaces big enough for a tennis court, containing nothing.

The stupid fish couldn't see any of these things. He just rolled his fat lazy eyes and drifted away—looking disdainful as if to say "I wouldn't touch human after this—not even on Fridays."

But in the back of the pond where I couldn't see them the fish must have had a talk about what I had told them—for presently they all came back to look at me through the plate glass window.

They all had their mouths open and their sides were heaving with laughter.

A fourth old fish, a comical one with humorous popping eyes, had joined the party and explained that they had only to look out of the plate glass window as they had done each day for the past seven years to see that it was as human to live among plants and trees as it was fishy to live among water-plants in a small green pond.

But I don't know why they were laughing. I suppose they thought I had been "trying" to pull their dorsal fins.—W. S.

**Small Fire Put Out**

A rattan basket standing on the verandah of 8 Wing Lee Street, second floor, Central District, caught fire shortly before 11 a.m. today. The small blaze was put out before the Fire Brigade arrived.

## Private Memorandum Says: 'URBAN COUNCIL SHOULD BE ABOLISHED' Replacement By Municipal Bodies Urged

The Civic Association today released a memorandum by a "member of the public" suggesting that the Urban Council should be abolished and replaced by two Municipal Councils, one for Victoria and one for Kowloon.

In addition, the memorandum suggests there should be a New Territories District Council to deal with its own affairs.

In disclosing the contents of the memorandum, the Association's Executive Committee points out the proposals do not as such represent the official views of the Association. Although it is still under consideration by the Executive Committee, it appears to be of sufficient general interest and concern to warrant disclosure to the public at this stage, the Civic Association states.

"It is hoped members of the public will seek to express their views by writing either to the Civic Association or by utilising the facilities of the correspondence columns of the press."

The memorandum says:

In his book on Hong Kong, Harold Ingrams has this much to say about the Urban Council: "Hong Kong's Urban Council is a very curious mixture of Local Government and Legislative Council. It is a mixture of the two which is not only a waste of money but also a waste of time. It is a waste of money because it is a Government department with its expenditure provided as a grant in the Colony's estimates. It is a waste of time because it is a Government department which is not really typical of the habits of men who normally tried to avoid having anything living or artistic, or even pleasant anywhere near their roofs."

**CERTAIN CHANGES**

Since Harold Ingrams wrote these several years ago, there have been certain changes toward expanding the scope of activities of the Urban Council, but there can be no denying the fact that the Council, without any revenue of its own, is still in effect a Government department.

In England, Urban Councils come midway between municipal boroughs and rural districts. More than half of the Urban Councils in England and Wales (there were 572 Urban Councils in England and Wales in 1947) each serve a population of between 15,000 and 25,000. The Urban Council of Hong Kong on the other hand, with only fifteen members, active in nearly 40 select committees, must serve a huge population of 2,000,000 persons.

Under an ordinance enacted in 1936, the previous Sanitary Board in Hong Kong was converted into an Urban Council. This first Council had five official and eight unofficial members, of whom two were periodically elected on a franchise based on the jury lists, and six were nominated by the Governor. In 1953, nearly thirty years later, the number of unofficial members was increased by just another two members (six appointed and four elected).

It is about time that the present Urban Council be abolished and replaced by two Municipal Councils, one for Victoria and one for Kowloon. In addition, there should be a New Territories District Council to deal with the affairs of the New Territories.

**21 MEMBERS**

The Victoria Municipal Council should consist of 21 members, of whom five should be ex-officio, seven should be nominated Unofficials and nine elected Unofficials. The Kowloon Municipal Council should also be constituted on the same basis. The New Territories Council should consist of 11 members of whom six should be ex-officio and five nominated by the Hong Kong Government or other bodies as may be suggested. One-third of the unofficial members of each of the Municipal Councils should retire every two years and half of the nominated members of the New Territories District Council should be either re-nominated, or replaced every two years.

The Victoria and the Kowloon Councils should take over completely the work of the present Urban Council, as well as such other functions as may be considered advisable to be transferred at the time such Councils are constituted. The New Territories District Council should take over wherever possible the functions of the Agriculture and Fisheries sections of the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, and the Council should also manage the Vegetable Marketing Organisation.

The unofficial elected members of the Victoria and Kowloon Councils should be elected on the basis of the present electorate.

The scheme put forward has many advantages such as:

- (1) It would mean that the inhabitants of the respective three areas would be better served by Councils directly concerned with their particular areas.
- (2) It would relieve the heavy burden on members of the present Urban Council who are given far too many things to do in the name of the "welfare of the Council."
- (3) It would mean that the members in the present housing, hospital and other services as chiefs of the Council, who are directly interested in progress in their particular areas.
- (4) The fact that there are 18 elected members of the Councils should result in an increased interest in public affairs by the public at large. Furthermore, public leaders will be given a wider opportunity to use their talents for the betterment of the community.

One immediate objection which might be raised to this scheme is that it could be a heavy burden upon official members should they have to sit on three separate Councils. The answer to that is that the Head of a Department need not sit on the Councils, but can quite easily delegate authority to senior members of his staff to represent the Department at any or all of the Councils.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Alleged Arrest Of Correspondent

Sir,—With reference to your publication in the columns of the China Mail of the 20th instant of a United Press dispatch about the so-called arrest, beating, and imprisonment of Mr. Louis Guilbert, United Press correspondent in Saigon, this correspondent feels it is necessary to correct the facts stated.

Not at any time was Mr. Louis Guilbert a victim of bad treatment by the Vietnamese Police. On the night of April 18, Mr. Guilbert tried to force his way through a crowd of people in a zone where circulation is strictly forbidden. Upon demand of the traffic agents he refused to exhibit his identity documents, and used abusive language against the police. He was then escorted to the police station for identity checking and released at once when he had submitted the necessary statement to the police.

This Consulate feels that Mr. Guilbert has exploited the incident by distorting the facts, and would be grateful to the China Mail to publish the here-above statement.

**F. N. LE QUANG.**  
VIETNAM CONSULATE

### Fined \$100

For conveying petrol, a dangerous cargo, on board his craft without permission, Yeung Hui, master of a motor trading unit, was fined \$100 by Mr. A. G. Facker at the Marine Court this morning.

## Burma's Rice Gift To Fire Victims

As a gesture of its sympathy for the thousands who have been rendered homeless in squatter fires in Hong Kong, the Government of Burma has presented 100 tons of rice to the Colony.

At a short ceremony in the Social Welfare Office this morning, Mr. E. Keen, the Social Welfare Officer, received the documents for the rice-shipment from Mr. C. P. Tan, the Honorary Consul for Burma. This shipment arrived in the Colony recently in the ss. "Hail."

In January this year Mr. Tan informed the Colonial Secretary the Burma Government had asked him to express its sympathetic concern over the disastrous fires which had rendered thousands of Hong Kong people homeless.

The rice is Sughandi Small Mill Special—long grain white rice 35 per cent broken and milled from Emma type of paddy, 1955 new crop.

Arrangements are being made by the Social Welfare Office for its early distribution to the many fire victims.

## Charged With Murder After Village Fight

Fu Ah-tan, alias Yuen Fuk-kuen, 28, coolie, gave evidence of unintentional stabbing when he was charged with murder at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Fu was accused of stabbing Chen Lang-shing with a knife at Fuk Wah Village, Shamshuipo, on January 7.

The case is being heard before Mr. Justice J. Wicks, Acting Puisne Judge, and a jury of six men and one woman.

Mr. V. L. J. Dalton, instructed by Mr. J. R. Oliver of Messrs. Deacons, is defending Fu. The Prosecution is conducted by Mr. D. F. O. Mayne and Mr. W. S. Collier, Crown Counsel. Divisional Detective-Inspector J. Andrews is present for the Police.

Accused said that on January 7, he and deceased had an argument over \$7 at his home in Wing Hong Street.

## KICKED IN EYE

As a result of the argument he "kicked" the deceased to the ground outside the house after being hit by deceased. While he was still on the ground another man kicked him in the eye.

Accused's wife helped him to his feet and he thought of going home but he saw some men standing in the doorway of his house.

Accused picked up a knife from off the ground as he felt he might be assaulted again. He started to retreat towards Un Chau Street but he was stopped by his wife and another woman.

Both women tried to drag him back to the house but he said, "I don't want to be beaten up again."

He pushed the two women off and continued his retreat but he was intercepted by Chen, who threw down his overcoat and said, "You still like to fight? One to one let's fight together."

**THREAT TO STAB**

As accused replied, "Don't come at me otherwise I will stab you," Chen grabbed his left shoulder with one hand and his right forearm, which was holding the knife, with his other hand.

The two men struggled and accused said that he still could not see clearly with his right eye. Suddenly Chen let go of accused's right forearm and as a result his arm came down in a stabbing motion.

Accused said that he did not see where the knife went but he became frightened when he saw blood on his clothes. He then fled.

Accused said that he had no intention of killing Chen as he had not known him before this incident. Next day he gave himself up to the Police.

Hearing is continuing.

## BAILEY APPEAL BEGINS

### Alleges Trial Judge Made Mistakes In Law

In his appeal against conviction on three charges of criminal libel before the Full Court this morning, Albert Francis Bailey, 34, merchant, filed 27 grounds alleging, among other things, that the Trial Judge had made mistakes in law and misdirected the Jury.

The Full Court comprises Mr. Justice T. J. Gould (acting Chief Justice) and Mr. Justice J. R. Gregg (Puisne Judge).

Bailey, who was released from the Court Library yesterday since it was closed. He asked for more time in order to look up these authorities.

His application was refused by the Court holding that if appellant was not prepared to argue certain points that was the end of the matter.

Proceeding with his appeal, Bailey said that the alleged misdirection was his plea of justification. Citing from an authority, he said it was only necessary to prove an alleged libel was published in the public interest. He submitted that the Trial Judge failed to give the Jury any direction as to what they were required to find in returning their verdict. It was a Judge's duty, he contended, to tell a Jury that a libel was published in the public interest or in the public benefit.

Among the grounds of appeal were the following—That the Trial Judge made a mistake in law and against natural justice in holding that he had jurisdiction to hear a charge of criminal libel based upon an ex-officio information filed by a Colonial Attorney-General; that the Trial Judge made a further mistake in law and against natural justice in refusing an application of the Defence that the ex-officio information containing the charges of criminal libel be removed from the file in that it was not a criminal action; that the Trial Judge made a further mistake in law and against natural justice in refusing an application of the Defence that the ex-officio information be removed from the file in that it was not a criminal action; that the Trial Judge made a further mistake in law and against natural justice in refusing an application of the Defence that the ex-officio information be removed from the file in that it was not a criminal action.

On his point that the use of criminal information was wrongful, Bailey said that the libel was not by any stretch of the imagination, capable of bringing about a public interest or disturbance of such a nature as to call for immediate suppression. He submitted that the information should be removed from the file, since action by indictment was sufficient and action had been taken against him at the Magistrate's before he was "shuffled up" on ex-officio information.

## 'ABUSING POWERS'

He pointed out that the charges against him at the Magistrate had been dismissed. There must be some pressing circumstance to entitle an applicant to take the extraordinary course of the Attorney-General having taken, he declared, yet there was a vast of some seven months after publication of the alleged libel. He agreed that though the Court had no jurisdiction to stop the Attorney-General from filing an information, he submitted that the Court nevertheless had inherent jurisdiction to hear any wrongful action. If the Attorney-General chose to file ex-officio information where a normal course of action was sufficient, he was abusing his powers and the Court should cause the information to be removed from the file, Bailey submitted. "It seems to me this is 'very close to oppression,' he remarked.

## MISDIRECTED JURY

Other grounds included misdirection of the Jury in Bailey's plea of justification; an attack against his character by the Trial Judge whom Bailey alleged had called him an "egotistical and self-centred person"; the summing-up of evidence and that the case put forward by the Defence at the trial afforded no answer to the plaintiff's or prosecutor's case; that the verdict was against the weight of evidence; that the Trial Judge in his summing-up did not fairly put the case for the Defence to the Jury contrary to natural justice and in that the appellant is a layman and not represented by Counsel; that the Trial Judge refused to allow Bailey to correct other misdirections or misstatements of evidence in his summing-up; and that this was unfair and against natural justice. Bailey asked that the proceedings be set aside.

## Gave Birth In City Street

Chan Lam, a woman in her middle twenties, gave birth to a baby girl in front of the show window of the Mow Kee Ladies Tailor Shop, in D'Aguiar Street at 1043 this morning.

The woman was walking along the street with her husband and seven-year-old son, when she suddenly felt pain. When she sat down on the pavement, a woman from a nearby shop covered her with sheets of paper.

Two dressers, acting as midwives, helped deliver the child behind the paper "curtain." The new mother was then rushed to the Queen Mary Hospital. Both mother and child are reported to be doing well.